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Matopo Book Room, Bulawayo, S. Rhodesia, Africa

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EDITORIAL

Church and Young Men

THE BIDDING is rapid, the competition is keen. The strength, vigor, talent and physique of a young man are always at a premium. There is a never-ending struggle, competition, to secure his devotion and allegiance.

Dad is his first hero. The sun rises and sets on Dad's feats. Imperfections are not even seen. It is wonderful if this can be continued, repeated in the Sunday school teacher, then the pastor. Too often involvements interfere and a break-down is experienced, especially before the pastor-young man relationship reaches the ideal.

Numerous factors have a bearing on the high casualty rate between the church and young men. This writing is not meant to detail these frailties, so self apparent in many instances. A comprehension of the importance of correct home-young men, and effective church-young men relationship will have a first rate impact on common faults and frailties, responsible for many alienations.

This problem is not peculiar to the present. Admittedly, today we face the problem on an intensified scale. The USA obliges young men to think in terms of two years of service. Two years in which most of the normal routine gives way to an un-natural, regimented way of life. The exposures of this two-year period do not cause the same reaction in all young men. A few respond to the discipline, environment and opportunities with a discerning choice for the good. For many others this encouraging word cannot be said.

The church need not say or imply that it has all the answers to today's complicated and tense areas of human relations. Frustrations and increasing tensions are the result of man's own ways and will never be nationally or internationally resolved until the Prince of Peace reigns.

Christians are not wisdom impersonated. The Christian's strength is expressed in love and service. Today's needy world waits with open arms for both. Hospitals, relief work, mission fields and the like, offer variety and challenge in service for any Christian young man.

The church is given the opportunity to guide their young men in relation to a two year period of service. Government recognition of the peace position, with an agreed alternative to military service, presently gives a young man a varied

choice of what he would like to do and where he would like to do it. The involvement of 1-W service in the last ten years is a most encouraging aspect of the peace ministry.

The home and the church possess a prime opportunity with today's young men. Keeping in mind that youth are not mechanical but volitional; the atmosphere, emphasis and attitudes amid which they live and move, assist or deter youth in making the correct choice for two years of service.

A home or church, adversely affected by cross-winds to a peaceful, brotherly love, service ministry, greatly reduces the likelihood of young men choosing a peace ministry. Consistent teaching, preaching and living must operate as a combined force assisting young men in their developing and maturing of convictions.

Not all youth who have chosen the peace ministry as afforded by 1-W have graced the cause. There have been some casualties. If a young man chooses 1-W on the basis of escapism rather than a ministry, his likelihood of making good is quite doubtful.

A growing, spiritual church aims to retain the services of their young men for Christ and the church. The percentage of young men who have gone into Christian work, one phase or another, who lent themselves to an alternate service ministry is evidence of worthy benefit received.

J. N. H.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES— MESSIAH COLLEGE

OFFICIAL INFORMATION

THE National Association of Evangelicals, with which the Brethren in Christ Church is affiliated, has urgently requested the service of Dr. Arthur M. Climenhaga as Executive Director. After prayerful consideration, Brother and Sister Climenhaga feel an inner call of God to this opportunity to serve the evangelical constituency of our country.

The Board of Trustees of Messiah College has granted Brother Climenhaga's request for release from the Presidency to accept the call to the Executive Directorship of the NAE. Following are three resolutions from the Minutes of the Messiah College Board of Trustees:

1. That the Board express to President Climenhaga sincere regret that the contractual relationship with him is being prematurely and unexpectedly terminated, but in expressing this regret, the Board likewise congratulates President Climenhaga upon his promotion to a position of national prominence.

2. That the Board express to President Climenhaga sincerest thanks for his eminent contributions to Messiah College during the years of incumbency as president and for the unselfish service he has rendered to the college, to the community and to the church.

3. That the Board, having followed with sympathy and understanding President Climenhaga's expression of a sense of call from God to this new position, and having subordinated any selfish interest that they may have in retaining him as President of Messiah College, formally and wholeheartedly wish him God's richest blessing in his new field of service.

In assuming these new duties Brother Climenhaga plans to continue in administrative service with the general program of the Brethren in Christ Church. He will be available for a limited number of appointments with the Brethren in Christ Church, such as missionary conventions, Bible conferences, evangelistic meetings and camp meetings.

Dr. Climenhaga will continue as President of Messiah College until a time mutually agreed upon by the Board of Trustees of Messiah College and the Board of Administration of the NAE.

The Board of Trustees of Messiah College has named a committee representing college and church interests to select nominees for the Presidency, to be presented to the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees requests prayer for guidance and understanding in choosing Dr. Climenhaga's successor.

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IN GREECE Easter is the biggest holiday of the more than 100 holidays each year. Much preparation goes into its celebration. The houses must be cleaned, the rugs taken to the river and washed and the "Paska" baking done. Services are attended during the Lenten period and for the devout Greek Orthodox there is a period of fasting.

For the Pax team in Greece it was also a time of preparation and activity. Since the Aridea team has been established longer, certain traditions have also been established. New Pax men, hearing of these traditions, eagerly look forward to participating in the annual Easter outing on the mountain.

Last year our Easter activities started early in April. We had invited the School of Theology from the University of Salonica to visit our farm and learn of our program. Because of the large group, we had hoped for clear weather so we could entertain them outside. However, the day was cold and rainy. We managed to crowd them into our kitchen for the short program we had prepared. After the program we were amazed to see about 85 people file out of our kitchen. It was unbelievable that so many people could crowd into that small space.

In the meantime the weather had cleared a little. Soon they brought out their cheese, squid, fish and bread for their lunches. As we shared our lunches together we learned to know each other better. In true Greek protocol, we served coffee and cookies. This, of course, was the thick, sweet Turkish coffee but the cookies were special.

"No eggs, milk or animal fats," said our Greek helpers, because of the fasting. But what could one bake without these ingredients? After looking through recipe books, I finally found an apple sauce cookie and by substituting olive oil for shortening, was able to make a cookie which would not violate these fast rules.

After lunch it was a real thrill to sing some of our hymns for them and we enjoyed their singing of hymns. Leading the group was Professor Kotsanis, chaplain to the Greek royal family. After showing our visitors the farm they left amid many "adious." We felt that the day had been very profitable in sharing with these young people who will be the future leaders in the churches and high schools of Greece.

In the following days there were more preparations for the Easter activities. Extra beds were put into available corners. The Crete team, Klaus and Dick,



PAX men hold an Easter Sunrise Service high in the mountains of Greece.

Easter with the Greece Pax Team

Beulah Heisey

joined us, sharing in our Good Friday service. It was with eager excitement that we welcomed our European Director, Peter Dyck, with his wife and two daughters and his secretary.

Last minute preparations for the big day included packing the dishes, collecting the pans, oil, bread, butter, blankets and song books. The lamb had to be put on the skewer in preparation for roasting. It was late when the house was finally quiet.

But the quiet did not remain long. The bell was rung at 3:30 a.m. Some had gone to the local church and not returned until after midnight and found their night very short. But soon, despite the short night, all 23 who had slept in the house were bustling about in anticipation of the day's activities. That is, all except Ray, who, unfortunately, was suffering from Asiatic flu and could not join the activities. By 4:15 the rest of the team had joined us and the 27 started on the long drive to the mountain top.

We must have made quite an impressive procession as we drove along at that early hour. Five fellows on mopeds led the way followed by the big and little VW's and we in the Landrover bringing up the rear with most of the supplies. We drove down the dusty roads, forded rivers, wound our way through the narrow streets of sleeping villages, then started the steep climb up the mountain, twisting back and forth as our road found its way to the top. We looked

down on the valley from first one side of the car and then the other.

The first hints of daylight were breaking across the mountain tops as we reached our plateau. Quickly dry wood was gathered and a fire built. We gathered around its warmth, drawing blankets around us to turn away the chill. What a lovely setting for a worship service! Peter Dyck gave his message to a background of murmuring wind in the trees, the call of the cuckoo and the whistle of the early herder. As the sun burst over the rugged mountain peak, a male quartette sang "Man of Sorrows." Our hearts were thrilled with the risen Christ.

The tradition of having an egg fry after the service is especially appreciated by the fellows. Eggs are fried over an open fire. In the cool, crisp mountain air, served with fresh Greek bread and butter, appetites hit their peak and for once there is no limit on the amount of eggs one may eat. The highest number one person ate was 22.

After this each person had to find a bush or stone upon which to set his cup and plate so that he would have it for the noon meal. We had brought along water for drinking purposes only. Another tradition which is Greek and has been adopted by the team is the roasting of a lamb over live coals. It takes about four hours of constant turning. There is plenty of opportunity for each one to have a turn. About mid-morning



Eating breakfast following the Sunrise Service.

we had our Sunday school.

The fellows engaged in lively volley ball games. For everyone there was an Easter egg hunt, the eggs being chocolate bars hidden in the bushes. Some hiked across the mountain pastures looking for flowers and birds. We met a herder and had an interesting conversation. Later one joined us in our meal. I am sure they had something out of the ordinary to talk about as they went home that evening. When the lamb was roasted, again there were hearty appetites. Plates were brought to be filled with the tender juicy meat and potato salad.

Later as we descended into our valley we looked down on the many villages clutching to the side of the mountain, the valley with its patchwork of small fields and the orchards and rivers. A breathtaking sight as we twisted our way down to become lost in its beauty. The Greek sunshine had not failed and we all came

home with red faces plus one sprained ankle.

As a climax to the day our minds were directed to the suffering of our Christ as we participated in a communion service. Once again our kitchen became our chapel. The tables were covered with snowy white sheets and a simple cross was hung at the head of the table. As we all gathered around the table, including Ray who was outstanding because of his pale face, we could feel the unity among us. The western farm boy, the Canadian poultryman, the school teacher and secretary and the German tradesman — all of us were one in Christ despite our many interests and backgrounds. As Peter led our thinking on "Community" and how community affects our lives and those around us we were determined anew to serve "in the name of Christ."

—Center Hall, Pa.

Charles Eshelmans, Asa Climenhagas, Evelyn Poe, Earl Stern, Charles Baker, Luke Keefers and Dick Witmers.

Our assignment was among the Bedouin people in east or Transjordan, 120 miles south of Jerusalem near the historic "King's Highway" (Num. 20:17). Six of us moved there in the fall of 1961 to the town of Ma'an in the dry and barren desert between the southern tip of the Dead Sea and Jordan's sole seaport of Aqaba near Biblical Ezion-geber. In this village of mud and stone houses surrounded by high walls, Lorne and Lois Ruegg and their two children, MCC nurse Susan Epp from British Columbia and I were located for about sixteen months.

The Rueggs and their daughters Layla and Lenore were beginning a second term of service with MCC. Lorne, known to the Arabs as "Abu-Sahli" (father of Sahli), supervised the material aid distributions in southern Jordan for the combined voluntary agencies. Mrs. Ruegg, mother to our unit, managed to take time from her busy routine to visit some Arab homes and befriend the local boys and girls. Together, this couple helped actively to settle a fine dedicated Presbyterian missionary and his family in the town.

Traveling by Landrover over dusty rough roads and barren country, our medical team visited seven clinics weekly, fifteen to forty-five miles away. Our patients lived in rude houses in a semi-pastoral, semi-agricultural setting, or, as nomads, in long black, Bedouin tents—dotting the hillside today, but possibly gone tomorrow. In some of these villages we placed young, English-speaking Arabs and trained them in giving first aid, medical advice and simple medical treatments. Some of these boys doubled as cooks when Lorne began feeding centers for certain of the more needy children.

The hospitable Muslim folk often invited total strangers to a feast, or at least for coffee. All of us sought to understand our friends and felt elated in being able to talk in rather halting Arabic. We had neither the facility in language nor the prerogative to preach, but we opened our clinics with prayer and at times told our waiting patients (via interpreter) that we were helping our neighbors in obedience to the commands of Christ. We were gratified that these people, some of whom had not known Christians heretofore, came to trust us. It was difficult to leave when our unit was transferred and I found myself sailing toward North Africa.

In Algeria I was impressed with the spirit of nationalism and by the obvious

Camels, Couscous and Clinics

Dr. Henry Kreider

THERE IT WAS—below and to the left—the ancient white-walled city with its roofs shining in the sunlight. A strange sense of unreality enveloped me: this was Jerusalem! Thus began my two-and-one-half-year assignment with the Mennonite Central Committee as a medical doctor among the Arabs of two countries. My experiences were to vary from treating patients in Bedouin tents in Jordan to being taken into custody by the police in Algeria. I was to appreciate this opportunity to serve "in the Name of Christ."

As I became oriented to life in Jerusalem I was glad to resume acquaintance with Walter Martin, Jordan MCC director and his family, members of my home congregation in Elizabethtown, Penna. Introduction to medical practice in Jordan came from Dr. John Krahn, MCC physician in the Hebron area near the MCC school where Joe Haines is still remembered from his Pax service several years ago. Later, as we returned to Jerusalem from time to time, we met various visitors to Jordan: Carl Ulery, Henry Hostetter, Charles Engles,

evidences of the past struggle for independence: deserted military barracks surrounded by barbed wire barricades, fortifications and ruined houses. Later I was to hear many stories of atrocities on both sides, and learn much from patients and their complaints which they attributed to the torture during the seven long years of warfare between the Algerian guerrilla army and the French. Following this war, ninety per cent of the Europeans or French—including the vast majority of the professional people—left the country, leaving the Algerians, many with little training, to take up their tasks.

One admired the beauty of the large cities, the excellent roads and public utilities and the wealth of citrus groves, vineyards, olive orchards and grain fields in northern Algeria, but traveling south, away from the cities, one saw the poverty of the country: barren and eroded mountains, dry plains and rude homes. Yet these rural inhabitants manage to survive; many have flocks of sheep and goats, a few chickens, and perhaps a field of grain if the rains are good. If there is a well, irrigated gardens spring up and water is no longer a luxury.

Because of poverty and improper diet many folk suffer from malnutrition and stomach disorders. The crowded homes and exposure lead to chronic illnesses such as tuberculosis, malaria, parasitosis and rheumatism, while ignorance and lack of water and cleanliness accentuate all disease. When disease strikes there is a lack of medical care. Can you wonder, then, that we see a need for medical help with emphasis on education and help in raising the economic level of these folk?

When Algeria obtained independence several relief agencies banded together to form *Christian Committee for Service in Algeria* (CCSA): MCC, the World Council of Churches, the Lutheran World Federation, the YMCA and the YWCA. At this time many Algerians were facing starvation and exposure in one of their worst winters, and thousands of tons of surplus food and donated clothing were sent. Some of you sent blankets. Now the emergency is past, but CCSA schools, material aid, medical aid and employment projects remain.

It was my opportunity to work as a physician in one of the clinic programs, often seeing with a nurse and interpreter, over one hundred patients a day. Many of them had "*gel-be*" ("my stomach") or rheumatism; some were very sick with pneumonia, tuberculosis or malaria. A few of the sick children would move you to tears. Many of these folk showed their appreciation with

presents of eggs, chickens, *couscous* (the Algerian national dish) or even kisses.

Of the seventy-five or more international CCSA workers, about one-third of us were MCC personnel, mostly Pax men and North Americans. As we labored side by side with German, French, Algerian, Canadian, English, Dutch and Swiss co-workers, and shared work and worship in various languages, we were impressed with the universality of Christian fellowship and service. Together we sought to show Christian love to our Moslem friends.

Although we felt often that our work

was far from ideal, we could sense God's blessing on our presence in Algeria. During a particularly trying time for all of us last summer, our entire MCC group enjoyed a visit from Dr. C. N. Hostetter as he inspired us from the Philippian letter. Finally, it was a joy to welcome Canadian physician David van der Bent in my place.

As I left Algiers, Robert Stetter, Menonite missionary there, who has seen many missionaries leave, but few return, asked, "When are you coming back?" Perhaps he was not serious, but he did not smile.

—Mt. Joy, Pa.

A new look at individual responsibility

Do Pacifists Help Cause War?

W. O. Markley

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE when war is declared and man proceeds to exterminate his own kind? Is it the governing officials who legally declare war? Is it the men who physically use weaponry against other men, or the engineers and scientists who developed the weapons? Are only those involved with the overt act of war responsible, or are those whose actions contributed to the events leading up to war also responsible?

A number of such questions can be asked. While valid and perhaps relevant to the great nuclear crisis of our time, it seems more important to note that such questions are speculative rather than existential; they lead to theoretical considerations rather than to personal, "here and now" realizations. From the existential viewpoint, more proper questions might be: "Am I in any way responsible for war?" or "Am I in any way responsible for 'not-war'?"

It is obvious that neither wars nor great mass movements appear instantaneously. Any mature movement, if traced back to its source, will usually be found to originate with one or a few individuals with some concern; some goal. The "founder's" dedication in the cause of that goal then is seen to provide the inspiration for others which follow in support of that mutual goal. For the movement toward that goal to be successful, it is apparent that each active member who shares the common goal must unceasingly maintain his actions and beliefs such that they are consistent with the common goal—for in this way only does a society purposively change, due

to the cumulative effect of such individuals.

The common goal of pacifists seems to be that of outlawing war. Each individual pacifist, then, is responsible for living his life such that he contributes to "not-war." Perhaps war cannot be outlawed for the same reasons that hate and fear cannot be controlled by direct legislative action. If, however, it is true that each one of us, in some way affects the society in which we live; that we have free will over and responsibility for our actions, the following assertions, if seriously considered, should not only answer the title question "Do pacifists help cause war?" but should also help answer the question, "What can I, if I am a pacifist, do to prevent war?"

I am guilty of war when I use my intelligence, wealth or position to the disadvantage of my fellow man.

I am guilty of war when I show disregard for the rights, feelings and properties of others.

I am guilty of war if I believe an inheritance entitles me to monopolize resources of nature.

I am guilty of war if I imagine my race, nation, or religious group to be a superior people.

I am guilty of war when I make success in life solely dependent upon power, fame, and riches.

I am guilty of war when I accumulate more personal material resources than necessary to maintain a reasonable standard of living.

I am guilty of war when I believe that
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MISSIONS

The Matopo Bookroom

(From a letter by the Manager's wife)

What are the duties of the manager of MBR?

Chet's duties are the same as any shop manager's would be the world over. For one thing, he must order the stock, as well as attend to special requests from customers, of which we average 100 per month. In preparation for the new school year beginning in January we received six tons of textbooks in one shipment including over six tons writing exercise books and 2,500 Bibles. We have been busy the past two months filling orders and sending them out to various mission schools.

You serve other missionary societies besides our own?

Oh, yes — in Rhodesia, Nyasaland, South Africa, and Bechuanaland. Much Christian literature is sent out to these countries.

What further spiritual ministries do you have?

Our Missions Literature Committee is responsible for any translation work but MBR sees to the publishing and distribution of the literature. Our biggest literature project this year was the printing and distribution of 5,000 Bible story booklets with colored pictures: *Bible Pictures for Little Eyes*. We found ready response among the African people.

The Tract Rack in front of the store continues to be a popular spot. In addition to the thousands of tracts distributed this way, we also supplied 25,000 tracts used by our missions for annual Tract Day.

What about literary evangelism outside the store?

We have two colporteurs going out from the store. Joel Moyo, an evangelist, works as a colporteur between evangelistic tours; Abraham Ndlovu worked during school holidays but will not be returning to school and so we hope that he will stay on permanently. Joel and Abraham make a good team: Joel prefers village work while Abraham enjoys working in the townships [African residential areas within city limits].

Chet is also Financial Secretary for the Brethren in Christ Missions in Rhodesia. What does that involve?

He is responsible for keeping account of the three-quarter million dollars handled by our mission society the past year. This includes the African teachers' salaries, the medical grants received from the government and the monies sent from America. Three times yearly he audits the books of the three mission stations and three outstation units here in S. Rhodesia. Twice a year he goes to Northern Rhodesia to do the audits there.

What are your duties?

Well, they are divers and sundry. Mostly I work for the Book Room manager. I am his "assistant manager," trying to keep things going when he has to be away from the store, private secretary, filing clerk, window display artist(?), chief cook, laundress and cleaning lady. Frankly, that keeps me rather busy but I enjoy it. Who wouldn't enjoy working for a good boss?

Teaching a Sunday School class of 10- to 15-year-old African children at Nguniboyenja is also an enjoyable experience. They love to memorize Scripture and are so eager to learn that it is a pleasure to teach them.

Gerry Heisey

Read—For Missionary Vision

Read! Give attendance to reading! True, countries are not evangelized by our sitting in easy chairs with slippers on feet, sipping lemonade and reading missionary stories. No! But there is a place for that! And there is a place for the stirred heart that slips off its easy chair and asks God to show him *where* to go — whether to a neighbor, the General Fund offering plate, or to the missionary prayer meeting.

Suggestion: *Are the Heathen Really Lost?*, by Dick Hillis, Moody Compact book No. 5, 29c.

FROM THE LETTER-BAG—

A visit to General Conference of the African Brethren in Christ Church at Choma in Northern Rhodesia over year's end raised the question in our mind if the home constituency is aware of the size and outreach of the African Church; over eighty missionaries met with the African leaders in annual conference in the atmosphere of a building boom [financed by government aid to education] that would do credit to a going concern in the States.

N. A. Wingert

We have been very busy the last several months as the rains have been scant and the people can come in from afar. We have had less than half the usual rainfall [letter dated February 17] and there has been no run-off into the rivers. The mealie crop will be small around Macha but a bigger worry will be the water supply about next September.

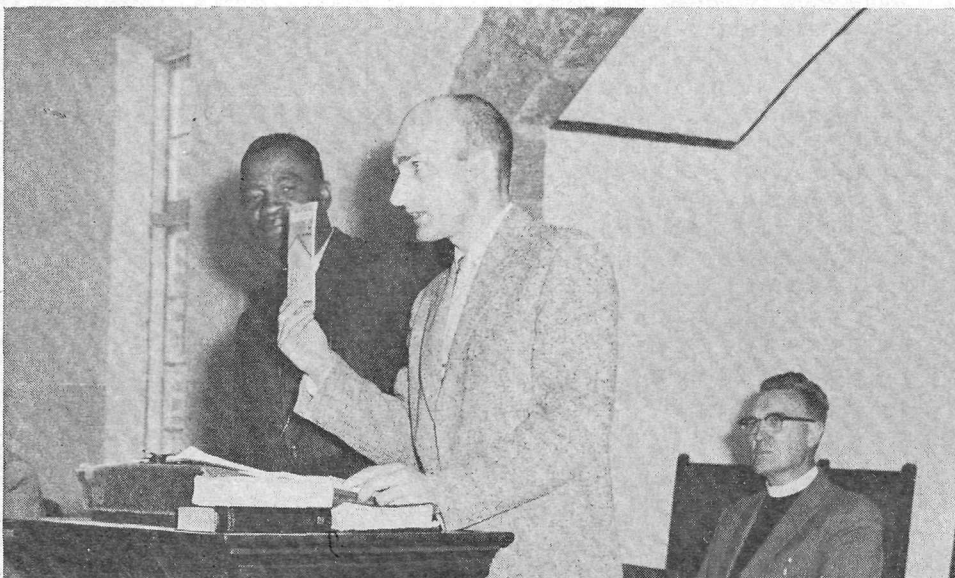
Florence Lehman states that on the first three days on a mission station she learned more than all the missionaries or letters had told her before. She was surprised how tall the mealies were in our garden. Even the grass impressed her.

Alvan Thuma, M.D.

A letter from Juana Garcia, in charge of the Cuba work, gives no detail but that they are still conducting services and still have all the property and the jeep.

H. Wolgemuth

Evangelical Visitor



Chester Heisey, Matopo Book Room manager, recommending a paperback, "Marriage and the Home according to God's plan," during a "spot" announcement for the Conference Bookroom.

Overseas Delegate to 1964 General Conference



THE REVEREND MANGISI SIBANDA will represent the Brethren in Christ Church in Africa at our coming General Conference. Afterwards he and Brother Mapendhla Moyo, now studying at Messiah College, will visit the brotherhood in the States and Canada.

In the photo, Brother Sibanda explains a point raised in a Gwaai District Council, of which he was designated Chairman by the Southern Rhodesia Church Executive Committee, as the Gwaai District (membership: about 200) does not have an African overseer. This weekend service was held at Kumbula, a few miles from Phumula Mission.

For more about this brother, see the "Overseas Christian" feature in the *Evangelical Visitor* of May 27, 1963.

BCWM Office

"I Appreciate the Prayer Emphasis Here"

How good to be back at Mtshabezi again! I have felt so definitely since here that I am in the Lord's will and that this is the place for me. How wonderful to have this assurance and confidence at the beginning of another term in Africa! I am living in the same house as in 1956.

We have started the third week of school. We feel the Lord has again brought a challenging group of students to us. Our prayer . . . that we might be the encouragement and help to them that they need! . . . uncertain times in Rhodesia; we pray much for our students and Christian people. I appreciate the prayer emphasis here . . . Each noon we have special prayer for the needs of students and for revival in this country (and all over the world). Another special time of prayer is on Sunday afternoon when any interested person can join us at the church; these have been precious times with the Spirit very near.

Mildred Myers, Mtshabezi Mission

Letter from a Japanese Brother

[Christian resolution—even in the face of isolation from other Christians—evangelistic zeal, willingness to help orient a new missionary, statement of qualities desired in missionaries—all adds up to make a noteworthy letter, reproduced here exactly as in typed original.]

[no date]

Dear my Rev. H. N. Hostetter:

Thank you very much for your kind remembrance to this country, people and ourselves. I am happy to hear that you have completed your world trip on holy mission before the New Year's day. To my prediction, I am to be ordered to move to the post in the Prefectural Board of Education in Yamaguchi city, the prefectural capital about 150 kilometer [about 94 miles] far from this end with my family at the early part of April. Privately we are already looking for the new residence there. We all are to miss our good church fellows facing at the new situation. Needless to say, we have been well-determined to hold up our faith as firmly as possible exceeding time and distance ever more, and we don't have any doubt at all of our Christian way of living or thinking even in our new post. However, I have been wondering if you can consider about extending Gospel influence by sending newly a missionary to Yamaguchi other than your past sending. The reason is why it is the prefectural capital having enough capacity for new evangelism, cultural central area without any station of missionary at present . . . But, since we have a most well-educated young citizens collected with two universities male and female without any evangelistic salvation for the spiritually thirsty souls. We can't but say that we have a responsibility to tackle for them and for the Lord.

I would here suggest you that if possible please pay much attention about sending out a young, daring intelligent spiritual leader from among those volunteers devoted and interested in fellowship with Japanese or in everything Japanese particularly in Gospel preaching as well as the Oriental way of living this end.

I hope we can do our best to help them or him or her so as to settle down well in our new frontiers.

We always maintain that the extending of Gospel influence is a great mission in our individual Christian life wherever we are, and however weak we are. We should not neglect it by any means.

Of course, the new life for our family is a heavy burden, I am sure, but our Holy Scripture shows us that 'Enter Ye in by the narrow gate:---'

Please kindly send our Bishop Carl J. Ulery and Prof. Charles [Eshelman] our best wishes. Also we would need your hot prayer very much for our future way to come this year.

Until we write to you again, with our best regard to you your church members and fine folks out there.

Yours truly in Jesus

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NOTE: This brother's appeal for a missionary to share evangelism with him in the needy city of Yamaguchi, head city of the prefecture in which are located Hagi and Nagato, is being studied. It may be that some assistance can be given him at long intervals.

The letter serves to underline the need of the ministry which has been carried on intermittently for believers who have moved to Tokyo from our B in C areas of witness. And we thank God that plans are materializing the strengthening and establishing of this Christ-like work, so directly in line with the command of Christ to care for the sheep and the lambs.

More about TOKYO in the next *Visitor*!

BCWM Office

Reminder of a Greater Potentate

THE TOWN has been in an uproar for the last few days. Yamaguchi Prefecture is host to the National Athletic Meeting. Since there are forty some prefectures you can see how seldom it gets around and can understand why it is indeed a very big occasion. Nagato's share in this athletic meet was to conduct the *sumo* (Japanese wrestling) matches. More than a year ago, an amphitheater-type stadium was formed from the side of a hill on the outskirts of town—a lovely setting, indeed, overlooking the town and the ocean.

The general public outside of the pro's participates; and so several hundred young men — workers, teachers, etc. — from all over the country trooped into Nagato for three days of wrestling, along with judges and spectators. The schools declared holidays. Flags and decorations were strung all over town.

But one of the biggest exciting causes was the fact that the Emperor and Empress were scheduled to come to Nagato, as part of their visiting the National Games this year. On the 29th October, (Continued on page twenty-five)

Crusaders

Whom Shall I Marry?

Dr. Donald Demaray

THIS IS THE BIGGEST question you will ever answer, outside of accepting the Christ as yours . . . because your life's companion will "make" or "break" you. Your marriage partner will contribute to your happiness or to your misery. Of that fact there can be no doubt because there are examples of happy and miserable couples all around us.

So it really is important to choose just the right one. And God can help you do that, provided of course, you keep close to Him and His Word and cooperate with Him.

Cooperate with Him! Ah, that gets at the real heart of things. For the important question to think about is, "How can I cooperate with God in the selection of a life's marriage partner?" Well, there are real answers to that question. Some of them are right here . . . in the form of "tests":

THE FIRST TEST: *Has it boiled down to just one person?* In junior high or high school, kids often find themselves falling in and out of love . . . just like that. One month, it's somebody who, at the moment, seems very special, but the next month it's somebody different. Well, when this falling-in-and-out-of-love business tapers off, and it looks like you've hit it off with just the right one, then and only then should you begin to be serious. But that probably won't happen for sure until after high school.

THE SECOND TEST (especially for the girls): *Does he really respect me?* The word to underscore is *respect*. You girls know very well when a fellow is a real gentleman on dates. (And don't forget that the girl's general demeanor helps or hinders him in being a real gentleman!) If your kind of date thinks nothing of heavy necking and would even rob you of your purity, watch out. What an awful thing to go through life with a moral scar. Girls are probably more sensitive than boys to the guilt feelings related to these moral scars. And besides, it's a wonderful feeling when it does come time to get married, to stand at the marriage altar and say to yourself, "I've played the game square, I've kept myself pure for the 'one and only' man of my life."

And does he respect your ideas too? Where you go on dates, the kind of friends you want, your actual choice of friends, the kind of home you desire most . . . these questions are important too.

THE THIRD TEST (especially for the fellows): *Does she look up to me?* The Bible teaches that the man's place is at the head of the house. But does your girl friend actually believe you could be the responsible head of her house? Does she show, even by her little actions, a wholehearted confidence in you? In other words, does she find her security in you? If she does, she believes you can make a good living for her, can maintain a house, and can find and organize resources to keep that institution called *home* going.

Now if she believes all that, she is not going to be so dominant as to dictate

*All the places you go on dates
All the things you do
All the things you plan*

. . . rather she's going to want to plan with you, and she will look to you for leadership too.

Incidentally, fellows, beware of the "desperate" girl, the girl who wants to get married right away. Some girls, believe it or not, will "secure" their marriage by devious behavior!

THE FOURTH TEST (for both fellows and girls): *Do you both encourage the full development of the other?* How about that education? really now? Are you both willing to wait to get married until college, business course, seminary, med school, or university is finished or at least well under way? You see, *the aim of marriage is not what you can get out of it, but what you can put into it*. How wonderful and practical to give your mate, and later your children, the rich gifts that, say, college training provides. This is far better than finding yourself lacking in the skills making for happiness.

THE FIFTH TEST (also for both fellows and girls): *Is my sweetheart loyal to the Church of Jesus Christ?* This means:

Is my sweetheart born again? (This, of course, is imperative for happy marriages.)

Is my sweetheart a Protestant? (Mixed marriages — Catholics and Protestants — simply don't work because two totally different "worlds" can't live together in the same house.)

Is my sweetheart loyal to *my* denomination? (If you can't decide on a denomination *before* marriage, don't think you can try it *after* marriage.)

THE SIXTH TEST: *Is my sweetheart on my cultural and intellectual level?* This is no mere snobbish test . . . because you're going to have to eat breakfast for half a century with your life's partner. Will you have something in common to talk about? Are your interests similar? Are your life goals the same? If it turns out that *he* is interested in auto mechanics and *she* in university-type thinking—frustration is almost surely inevitable.

THE SEVENTH TEST: *Is my sweetheart dead-in-earnest about building the Kingdom of God?* If your sweetheart loves to work in the church, Sunday school, and youth group . . . ah, then, you have a pretty good idea of his loyalty to God and things actually worthwhile. But if winning souls is looked upon dimly or apathetically, the consequences will be tragic both for you and God's Kingdom.

THE EIGHTH TEST: *Are my sweetheart's parents happily married?* Not that every young person who comes from a broken or unhappy home is doomed to marital failure, but recent tests demonstrate that as a rule those born into happy homes make happy marriage partners. And you should remember that when you select a life mate.

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"Anchored in Christ" Moves Into Second Quarter

PROGRAM PLANNING suggestions are now in the hands of pastors and youth leaders for the Bible-emphasis phase of the Christ's Crusaders theme for 1964, "Anchored in Christ." Moving from the first-quarter emphasis, Commitment, the current quarter is coordinated with plans for the Church-wide Bible Quiz and should expand the impact of Bible study among Christ's Crusaders.

Watch for local announcements on observance of Bible emphasis in your church during this quarter.

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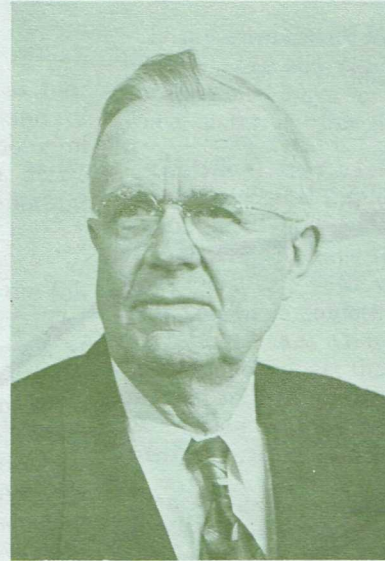
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MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE AGENCY FOR RELIEF, SERVICE, AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

IN MEMORIAM



*P. C. Hiebert, 1878-1963
MCC Chairman 1920-53*

1963 MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

THE MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE'S ministry of Christian relief to the hungry and suffering in Russia was begun in 1920. Why does this ministry continue in 1964?

In 1963 half the world went hungry. Hard to believe, but true nevertheless. The World Food Congress, convened in Washington, D. C., June 4-18, 1963, reported that "the persistence of hunger and malnutrition is unacceptable morally and socially and is a threat to social and international peace, and that the elimination of hunger is a primary task of all men and women. We must strive to achieve freedom from hunger in every corner of the earth." Asia, with half the world's people, eats only one-fourth of the world's food. The United States, with one-fifteenth of the world's population, consumes one-fifth of the world's food.

Millions of refugees remain homeless. At the close of World War II, millions of European refugees were stranded away from their homelands. The refugee need has now shifted to the Middle East, Asia, and Africa. During the last twenty years 80,000,000 people have fled or been driven from their homes. The twentieth century has come to be known as the "Century of the Homeless." In the last five years a shocking number has been added to the total each year.

The suffering hope, hunger, and cry for relief, love, and service. In many areas of our broken world, medical service and nursing care are even more scarce than food. There are MCC doctors serving where there is only one physician for 200,000 people. Men suffer from hatred, strife,

Photo by Paul Almay



Why does the MCC ministry continue?

race prejudice, ignorance, selfishness, and natural disasters. In our affluent American society emotional and mental illness takes a high toll. Our sick world calls for service that provides enlightenment and that fosters understanding, goodwill, peace, and brotherly kindness. The army that battles suffering is still woefully small.

The Bible clearly defines our duty. The Christian has an obligation to the hungry, the homeless, and the suffering. Duty calls for more than words. It calls for action. To deny love, service, and help to the needy is to be guilty of the neglect of Christian duty.

Plenty without compassion corrupts life. Canada and the United States have accumulated large stocks of surplus food. We live in plenty. Many of the moral problems that plague our nations are the outgrowth of our affluent society. Sodom went to ruin because of her "pride, idleness, and fullness of bread." President Rodhakrishnan of India said recently in Washington, "The painful reality of the starving millions of the world must rouse the conscience of those who are placed in better conditions. The needy have a claim on your abundance." To fail to respond to human need and suffering will corrode our consciences and corrupt our life.

FOR THE MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

C. N. Hostetter, Jr.
Chairman



*A Paxman pours milk for Algerian boys.
MDS volunteers build homes for Hurricane Flora victims.
Teacher in Africa gives piano lesson after school hours.*

1963 HIGHLIGHTS

Disaster Service in Haiti. Nineteen sixty-three was an eventful year for the Mennonite Disaster Service units in the United States and Canada. They responded to numerous emergencies at home, but one of their biggest achievements was the sending of thirty-five men, in four teams, to Cotes de Fer and Petit Goave in southern Haiti to build homes for ninety families which were left homeless by Hurricane Flora and to help the Haitians restore some of their normal community services.

Enthusiastic Response in Yugoslavia. If Haiti was MDS's biggest effort in 1963, earthquake-torn Skopje, Yugoslavia, was the place where they were received with the greatest appreciation. The three Mennonite volunteers who helped erect prefabricated houses in one of Skopje's satellite communities during October and November were overwhelmed by the genuine friendliness with which the Yugoslavs accepted them.

Oaklawn Psychiatric Center Dedicated. The \$950,000 Oaklawn Psychiatric Center, Elkhart, Indiana, was described at its dedication in September as "the blossom, the fruit, and the works of solid religion." The speaker was Dr. Kenneth Appel, a former president of the American Psy-

chiatric Association. Dr. Appel said the center, which is one of four psychiatric institutions operated by Mennonite Mental Health Services (MMHS), is a new bulwark against many of the destructive forces in man and society.

MMHS Studies Role. Mennonite Mental Health Services, a board appointed by MCC, during the year grappled with the problem of what its evolving role should be in the mental health program. MMHS formerly administered the hospitals, but the local hospital boards have taken over more and more of this responsibility. This has made it less necessary for MMHS to function in an administrative capacity. The hospitals and MCC both feel, however, that MMHS must continue to play a leading role in the program, if not administratively, then in giving professional guidance to the hospitals, in providing a connecting link between the psychiatric centers and the Mennonite churches of the United States, and in guiding the thinking of the constituency on the subject of the Christian faith and mental health. An MMHS-appointed committee worked at this problem during 1963 and is expected to make its recommendations in 1964.

Indian Churches Organize Service Committee. The Mennonite, Brethren in Christ, and United Mis-

sionary churches of India are experiencing a growing interest in the peace teaching, voluntary service, and other ways of speaking to pressing social problems. In response to this concern they organized the Mennonite Central Committee of India. The MCC of North America was asked to affiliate with this new organization to serve in an advisory and liaisonship capacity. The Indian MCC's first project was to send two short-term Indian volunteers to East Pakistan to give emergency assistance to cyclone victims in the Chittagong region.

Cooperation with European Mennonites. The new relief and service agency of the German Mennonites, Diakoniewerk der Mennoniten (DWM), grew significantly in 1963. It began a clothing program, processed the first trainee applicants for Europe, provided personnel for Mennonite relief and service projects in Europe and North Africa, and gave assistance to Mennonites who returned to Europe from South America. The MCC is cooperating with DWM and other European Mennonite groups.

Seminar on the Christian and War. A two-day seminar on the subject of "The Evangelical Christian and Modern War" was held at Winona Lake, Indiana, in August. Thirty-two evangelical scholars from various denominations were present at this meeting which was initiated by the Peace Section. *Christianity Today* summed up the seminar thus: "The Anabaptist and Reformed traditions remained as far apart as they were four centuries ago. On the other hand, both groups felt that they had obtained a new understanding of each other's position and a new appreciation of each other as Christian brethren."

First Trainees to Europe. In 1963, after fourteen years of operation, the Trainee Program finally became an exchange program in the real sense of the word. Sixteen Canadian and U.S. young people were the first North Americans to go to Europe to live with Mennonite families for a year under this program.

TAP: Opportunity of Century. The Teachers Abroad Program in Africa observed its first anniversary in 1963. Paul Mininger, president of Goshen College, visited most of the teachers during the summer and reported that they are "getting along well in their assignments and are making

excellent contributions to the schools in which they are serving as well as to the Christian witness of the churches in their communities. They are enthusiastic about TAP and cannot understand why more young people are not coming to help meet the tremendous need." President Mininger came back with the feeling that Africa's call for teachers is one of the greatest opportunities facing the church in this century.

Mennonites and the Race Crisis. Many North American Mennonites discovered in 1963 that the racial revolution in the United States is genuine. It became apparent during the year that the problem was one which would not be solved unless the country's citizens, especially the Christians, would face the issue clearly and respond to it in an attitude of repentance, love, and courage. The Peace Section continued to support the work of a full-time representative in the South during the year. It also placed a representative in Washington, D. C., for several weeks during the summer to assist delegations and individuals who were interested in speaking to their congressmen about civil rights and other concerns.

Record Number in Service. The number of persons serving in the MCC program stood at 623 at the close of 1963. This was the second year that the total surpassed 600. A breakdown of this figure into categories showed that there were 269 serving in overseas projects, 191 in the MMHS hospitals, and 163 in other U.S. and Canadian institutions and offices. One hundred and eighty-nine attended orientation schools at Akron, Pa., during the year.

Steady Growth in Food and Clothing Contributions. Four hundred and fifteen tons of clothing, bedding, shoes, soap, school supplies, and bandages were received by the MCC's five clothing centers during 1963. It would have taken a 14-car freight train to move all this material. Christmas bundles, too, were contributed in record numbers—37,866 of them. This was an increase of 2,000 over the previous year. More than 260,000 two-pound cans of meat, fruit, vegetables, and lard were processed for overseas distribution during the year. This was the largest amount of food contributed since 1954. The steady growth in the food and clothing given to the MCC is a tribute to the diligent work of many local sewing groups and relief committees.

SO MANY OF OUR FELLOWMEN ARE BROKEN OF MIND, SPIRIT, AND BODY. THEY ARE THE VICTIMS OF IGNORANCE, DISEASE, HATE, HUNGER, AND INTENSE FEELINGS OF INADEQUACY...

THEY CANNOT STAND A ONE



The people who receive help through the Mennonite Central Committee each year are not statistics. They are individuals with hopes and aspirations very similar to our own.

This year, to emphasize the person-to-person relationships which characterize so many of the MCC's relief, service, and peace efforts, the annual report focuses on individuals and groups who were helped during 1963. The following illustrative incidents show how MCC workers attempted to take their place beside people who needed encouragement, guidance, food, and other assistance.

The charts and graphs which are interspersed throughout the report tell how the Mennonites and Brethren in Christ of Canada and the United States supported the MCC's various activities during 1963 and the two preceding years.

Angolan Refugees Ambushed

It was in the dead of night, September 10, 1963. A party of 180 Angolans was quietly making its way to the Congo border, and to freedom. A few members of the group were soldiers. One carried a machine gun, but otherwise they were poorly armed.

Suddenly, chaos!

Portuguese soldiers, lying in ambush, threw hand grenades at the hapless Angolans.

It was the middle of the snake-like line of fleeing

refugees which was attacked. The people in front scrambled out of danger and made it safely to the Congo border. The tailenders quickly returned the way they had come. No one knows what happened to the people in the middle.

The eighty people who got through were a pathetic lot. Most of the children in the group were suffering from malnutrition; some were in such poor health that they had to be hospitalized.

Among the eighty were two brothers, Eduardo, 9, and Manuel, 4. When the members of the party scattered during the ambush, the two boys found themselves alone. They walked for many hours through the long bush grass. Eduardo carried little Manuel much of the way. Finally, after much walking, stumbling, and searching, they reached safety.

Fortunately, someone was there to help the two boys and the many other Angolan refugees who were streaming into the Congo. The Congo Protestant Relief Agency, of which the Mennonite Central Committee is a member, stood ready to help. They shipped in food, clothing, and other materials to assist them in getting re-established in their new country.

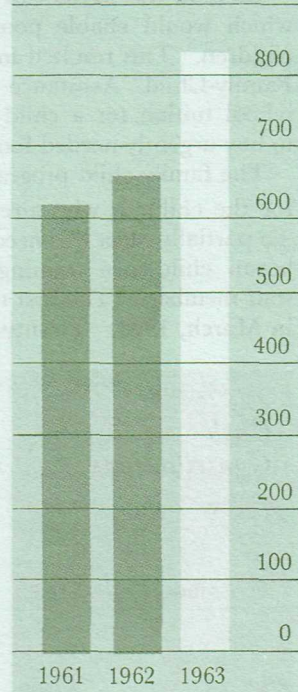
Harvest of Orphans

One of the bitterest results of the Korean War has been the harvest of orphans and abandoned



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Thousands of pounds 900



An Algerian lad stands shivering in the cold with only a tattered blanket to keep him warm.

babies which it has left behind. In the vicinity of Pusan, alone, there are ninety orphanages, each of which cares for an average of 110 children under 15 years of age. The number of abandoned babies increased during 1963 as the cost of living climbed. An average of twelve children a day were brought into one Korean home for abandoned children during the early part of 1963.

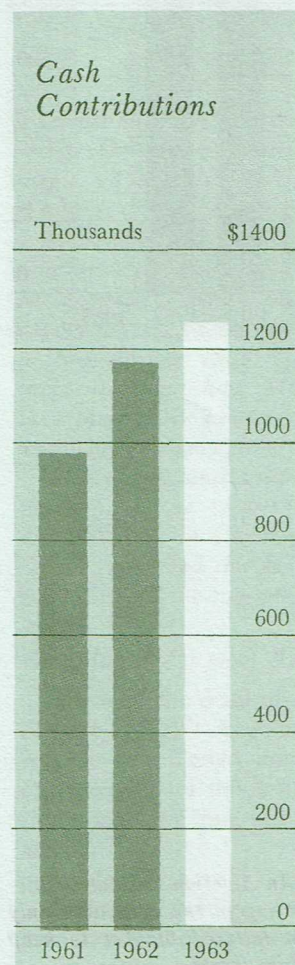
In 1962 the MCC saw the need for a program which would enable poor families to keep their children. This resulted in the establishment of the Family-Child Assistance Plan, which provides school tuition for a child and cash for the family to buy urgently needed food and clothing.

The family-child program, however, did nothing for the children who already were in orphanages. To partially meet this need, a trained MCC worker began child-care training courses for orphanage staff members. The first three-month course began in March, 1963. Twenty-eight trainees from various orphanages in Taegu graduated from the government - approved course in June.

A second course, this time exclusively for orphanage housemothers, was begun in October.

Helen Tieszen, director of the training program, summed up the benefits of the first course in these words: "Many of the trainees who were already doing good work in their orphanages gained a deeper insight into their roles and what they might do for the children. A few of them changed astonishingly in their attitude towards the children in their care."

The foregoing is a new project. It shows how MCC volunteers are seeking creative ways of speaking to pressing social problems.



Migrant Mother Learns to Sew

Mrs. H. is a migrant woman. She has five children, ranging in age from eight years to seven months. Last summer, while working in the state of New York, she was introduced to a summer service worker. The volunteer listened attentively as she told of her long-felt desire to learn how to sew.

The worker recognized this as an opportunity to be of real service to this woman and her family. The lessons began the next day. The facilities in the camp for cutting and sewing were primitive, but by the end of the first lesson a new dress for the baby was well under way. Before the first dress was finished, Mrs. H. began on a second project, to test the things she had learned.

Field work prevented her from accomplishing much more during the rest of the summer, but she was looking forward eagerly to the fall and winter when she would be able to make use of her new skill to sew some of the clothes for her growing family.

Indian Churches Study Peace Issue

When the armies of Communist China invaded India in 1962, the Mennonite and Brethren in Christ churches of India abruptly came face to face with the problem of the Christian attitude toward participation in war. They had been interested in this question prior to the invasion, but it became an urgent problem when the war began.

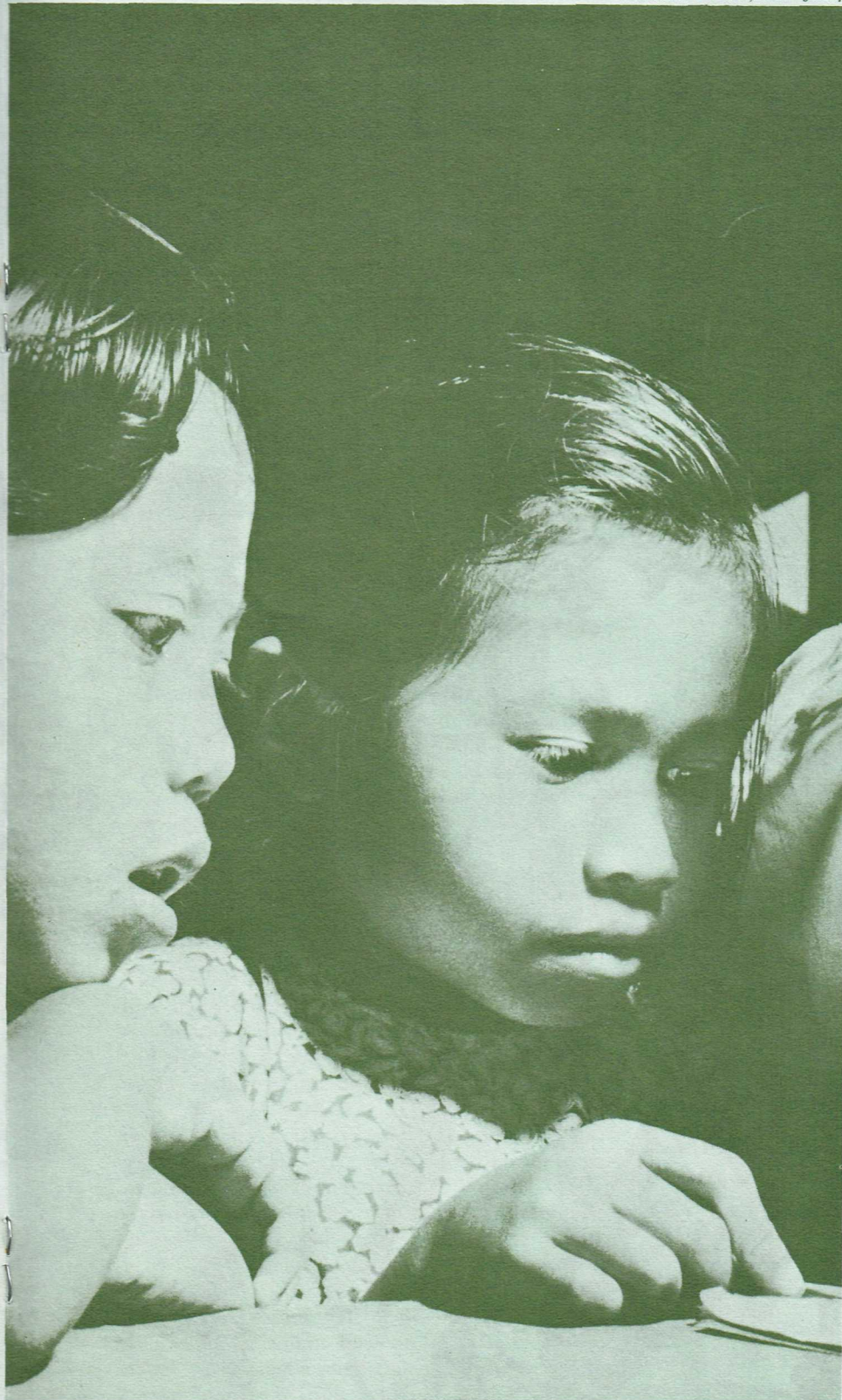
One of the churches' first responses was to begin plans for the production of peace literature in the Hindi language. P. J. Malagar, executive secretary of MCC (India), was later made available to work on peace interests for all the Mennonite and Brethren in Christ groups in India.

The Indian churches needed help. They requested the Peace Section to assist them financially and to send a short-term resource person to their country to more actively "promote the biblical teaching of peace."

The Peace Section responded by sending them a \$1,000 contribution for literature and by making plans to send a peace missionary in 1964.

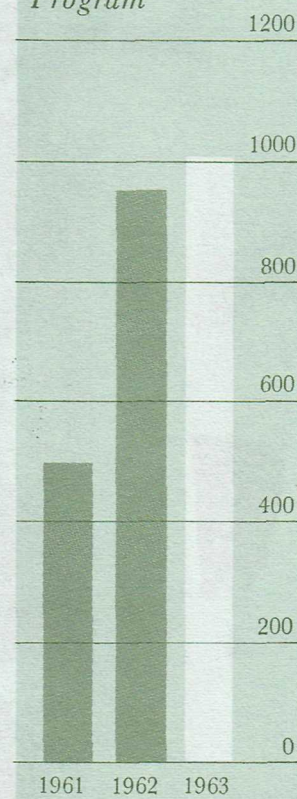
The younger churches need our support and guidance. Members of the world-wide brotherhood need to stand together during these times of rapid change, so that they can better understand each other and the situations in which they are living.

Standard Oil Co., New Jersey



Two Indonesian girls eagerly study their school lessons. The MCC sponsorship program is helping children in Korea, Jordan, Hong Kong, India, and Indonesia to get their education.

*Number of
Children Supported
Under Sponsorship
Program*



Monestine St. Pierre, an MCC-supported veterinarian in Haiti, treats a donkey which a farmer has brought to him.



Veterinarian Services

Monestine St. Pierre, formerly a watchman at the MCC-operated hospital at Grande Riviere du Nord, Haiti, is now the community's busy veterinarian. The MCC unit at Grande Riviere sent him to Hospital Albert Schweitzer in April, 1963, for a six-week veterinarian course.

After the course, Monestine returned to his home community and held clinics three days a week. He and Arlin Hunsberger, MCC director, went to all the churches in the vicinity and requested the ministers to announce the new service to their members.

Monestine was flooded with work. After six weeks of operation, he had to change to daily clinics.

A minimum charge is made for his services, but the owner's ability to pay is taken into consideration.

This venture is attractive for two reasons: (1) it provided Grande Riviere with a much needed service, and (2) it enabled a man to become established in a trade.

Baby Nursed Back to Health

Juanita Mendoza is a pretty little Bolivian baby. She lives in a small mud hut with her parents and a number of their relatives. Juanita was not as strong as most children. She could not stand up at a year. Her father and mother were too poor to give her the right kind of food. Often they had no food at all.

At fifteen months Juanita got sick. Mrs. Mendoza tried all the cures she knew, but none of them worked. The poor mother did not know what to do. The doctor and the hospital were far away. And even if they did take Juanita to the hospital, they had no money for medicine. The little girl's condition grew progressively worse.

Then it occurred to the mother that the nurses at the nearby Mennonite colony might be able to help. She took Juanita there and the nurses promised that they would do what they could. At first the little girl had to get all her food and medicine by needle. She didn't like this, but she was too weak to cry. Slowly, day by day, Juanita improved. Finally, she was well enough to be taken home. It will be a long time, however, before she is strong enough to walk.

Perhaps Juanita will grow up to be like her mother, who cannot read or even write her own name. But maybe some things will have changed by the time she reaches womanhood.

Christmas in the Desert

Three villages lie huddled in a dry river bed on the windswept desert of eastern Algeria. The 2,300 inhabitants live in caves dug into the banks of the river. During the civil war they lost all their sheep. Now they have no resources of any kind except what is given to them in distributions.

Christmas bundles were distributed to the children in these villages early in 1963. Alvin Friesen, director of the MCC program in Algeria, describes the event: "I will never forget the sight. About half an hour before we were to begin the distribution, 300 children came up out of the ground from all directions and walked toward our truck. They seated themselves on the ground, girls separate from the boys, and there waited patiently for their bundles.

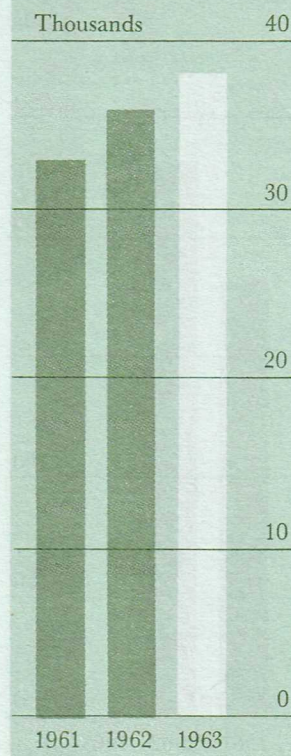
"It was a real privilege to give these bundles to each child in these villages and then to see them take off their old rags and put on a neat new dress or a pair of pants and shirt."

Many people regard Christmas bundles as one of the most significant parts of the MCC program. One family in Pennsylvania prepares as many as sixty bundles a year.

Occasionally, bundles do present problems, especially when they are distributed to children who ordinarily would never receive clothes of such high quality. Not infrequently the value of a bundle which a child receives is greater than the sum which the father earns in several weeks of hard labor.

Most often, Christmas bundle distributions are the highlight of the MCC worker's term of service. One volunteer wrote: "The distribution of Christ-

Christmas Bundles Contributed



mas bundles is perhaps the greatest pleasure which comes to a relief worker. Nowhere else is the joy which a gift brings quite as apparent. The glow which one sees in the eyes of a child who receives a bundle is something which reaches into the heart."

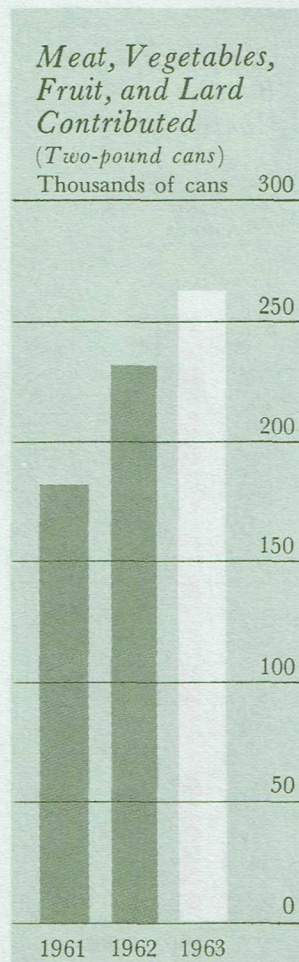
Boy Dreams of Being a Doctor

Shadrack Kaudambi is one of 67 boys in Form I at Livingstone College, which is located on the western border of Tanganyika, at Kigoma.

Shadrack's home is in a village 250 miles away. His father used to farm, but he is retired now. An older brother, a teacher, is supporting the family. His oldest sister completed Form VI two years ago. This is an accomplishment achieved by relatively few African girls. Another sister is in primary school. The children in this family are more fortunate than most Tanganyikans.

When Shadrack is asked what occupation he wants to enter, his face lights up as he answers: a doctor. His dream is to help his fellow countrymen conquer one of Tanganyika's most dreaded enemies, disease. There are many years of school ahead for him if he wants to achieve his goal, but if he retains his present determination, his dream will come true.

Two Mennonite teachers are on the staff at Livingstone College. They see teaching as one of the most vital services they can render to Africa during its present period of development. It is estimated that African secondary schools will need 7,000 expatriate teachers during the next ten years.



Sunday School at Junior Village

"What is God?"

"Where is He?"

"Can He see us?"

These are some of the questions popped at the Voluntary Service workers who conduct a Sunday school program at Junior Village, Washington, D. C.

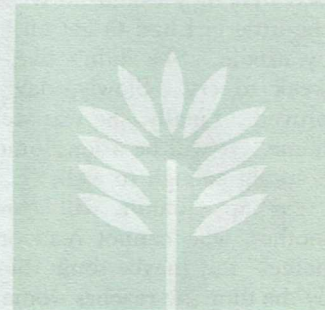
Junior Village is a temporary home for over 700 children, mostly Negro, between the ages of six months and eighteen years. A unit of nine VSers is serving in this institution. When they discovered recently that the four and five-year olds were not receiving any religious instruction Sunday mornings, they decided to have a thirty-minute Sunday school in two of the cottages.

The Sunday school begins with a fifteen-minute assembly. During this period the children sing and listen to Bible stories. Then each of the teachers takes ten children into a classroom for an additional fifteen minutes of singing, coloring, learning Bible verses, and listening to stories.

The unit members are enthusiastic about the Sunday school. One of them summed it up this way: "We find the children eager to learn about Jesus. Some of them ask us each day if we'll have Sunday school again. We are glad for the opportunity of teaching and witnessing to these young souls."

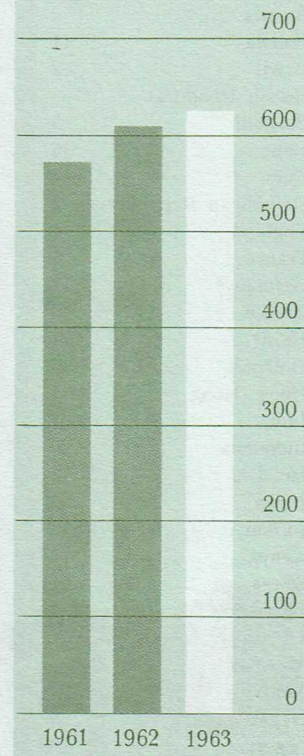
Can we let Eduardo, Juanita, Shadrack, and Mrs. H. stand alone? No! All that is good within us cries out that they must be helped.

The foregoing are nine illustrations of where the Mennonite Central Committee tried to take its place beside the people, near and far, young and old, who needed the supporting arm of a friend or brother. The important ingredient in almost every case was the MCC volunteer whose presence and Christian concern gave the act of love a personal touch. This was service "in the name of Christ." There are many, unfortunately, who will stand alone.





*Personnel
In Service*
(Including mental
hospitals and Menno
Travel Service)



*A Paxman demonstrates the
use of fertilizers to farmers
in India.*

SUMMARY OF 1963 FOREIGN ACTIVITY

COUNTRY	No. of Workers	Total	Cash	Material Aid Total	Clothing ¹	Food ¹	Gov't. Surplus ¹	Special Projects ²
Algeria	22	\$ 327,779.27	\$ 27,011.92	\$ 300,767.35	\$237,336.00	\$ 25,130.60	\$ —	\$ 38,300.75
Argentina	—	1,008.59*	1,008.59*	—	—	—	—	—
Austria	2	8,488.87	8,488.87	—	—	—	—	—
Bolivia	11	14,783.40	14,675.40	108.00	—	—	—	108.00
Brazil	2	1,180.24	1,180.24	—	—	—	—	—
British Honduras	—	1,986.47	1,721.97	264.50	—	170.00	—	94.50
Burundi	5	2,136.60	2,136.60	—	—	—	—	—
Congo	36	144,515.11	41,511.01	103,004.10	42,194.50	37,492.60	—	23,317.00
Cuba	—	854.82	854.82	—	—	—	—	—
Dominican Republic ⁴	2	367.19	367.19	—	—	—	—	—
England	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
France	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Germany ³	12	43,247.01	40,839.51	2,407.50	2,182.50	—	—	225.00
Greece	10	34,128.17	25,161.92	8,966.25	—	8,925.00	—	41.25
Haiti ⁴	21	82,059.02	55,780.37	26,278.65	1,267.50	8,090.45	2,100.00	14,820.70
Holland	5	5,308.76	5,308.76	—	—	—	—	—
Hong Kong	4	265,815.37	44,793.75	221,021.62	73,710.50	57,566.67	—	89,744.45
India	7	38,315.23	31,145.73	7,169.50	1,877.00	—	—	5,292.50
Indonesia	20	75,428.15	52,806.08	22,622.07	328.50	12,549.15	—	9,744.42
Israel	2	5,070.70	5,070.70	—	—	—	—	—
Japan	—	4,365.50	4,365.50	—	—	—	—	—
Jordan	13	442,557.08	81,120.34	361,436.74	193,262.50	14,720.90	115,662.34	37,791.00
Kenya	12	27,936.60	27,936.60	—	—	—	—	—
Korea	11	271,766.40	69,613.65	202,152.75	86,403.00	39,732.35	26,025.30	49,992.10
Lebanon	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Liberia	—	4.58*	4.58*	—	—	—	—	—
Mexico ⁴	5	8,883.34	8,883.34	—	—	—	—	—
Morocco	2	8,259.77	8,259.77	—	—	—	—	—
Nepal	3	4,002.65	4,002.65	—	—	—	—	—
Nigeria	9	9,092.63	8,347.63	745.00	—	—	—	745.00
Northern Rhodesia	3	7,912.79	7,912.79	—	—	—	—	—
Nyasaland	2	5,093.59	5,093.59	—	—	—	—	—
Paraguay	17	259,154.45	221,437.79 ⁶	37,716.66	1,859.50	—	19,776.64	16,080.52
Peru	—	598.54	598.54	—	—	—	—	—
Switzerland ⁵	5	2,646.16	2,646.16	—	—	—	—	—
Taiwan	—	55,617.56	—	55,617.56	994.00	26,468.10	—	28,155.46
Tanganyika	8	19,207.79	19,207.79	—	—	—	—	—
Thailand	—	3,331.60	3,331.60	—	—	—	—	—
Uruguay	2	837.86	837.86	—	—	—	—	—
Vietnam	6	277,394.79	15,540.72	261,854.07	67,557.50	43,056.00	112,016.11	39,224.46
West Pakistan	3	2,559.64	2,559.64	—	—	—	—	—
Yugoslavia	—	2,755.81	2,755.81	—	—	—	—	—
Indirect Expense	—	123,980.73	123,980.73	—	—	—	—	—
Administrative Expense	—	166,936.48	166,936.48	—	—	—	—	—
Loan Repayments & Interest	—	25,067.66	25,067.66	—	—	—	—	—
TOTALS	269	\$2,780,410.63	\$1,168,278.31	\$1,612,132.32	\$708,973.00	\$273,901.82	\$275,580.39	\$353,677.11

*Indicates credit

¹Conservative market value

²Christmas, layette, and leprosy bundles; school, medical, and self-help supplies; soap

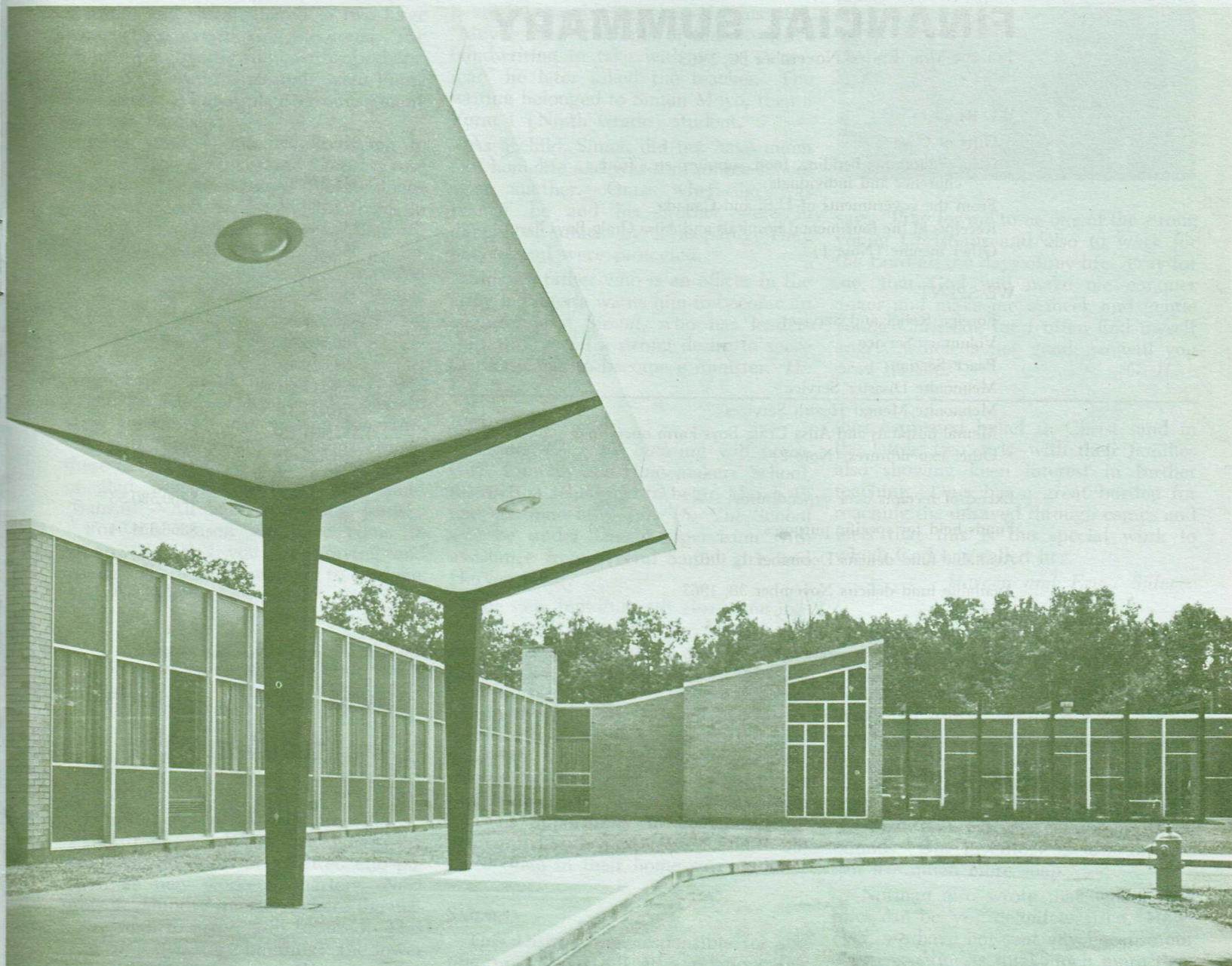
³The cash item of \$40,839.51 includes administrative costs for the entire Europe-North Africa program, nonreimbursable freight on material aid, and East-West services in behalf of Mennonites in Eastern Europe.

⁴Administered by Voluntary Service.

⁵Includes MCC's cooperative share in the Agape-Verlag publishing program.

⁶Includes \$109,619.20 in expenses incurred during past years which were written off in 1963.

Note: Totals in this summary do not coincide with disbursement figures in the Financial Summary on the back page because this summary covers the total expenditures of the Foreign Relief and Services, and International Education programs and the overseas portions of the Peace Section and Voluntary Service programs.



OAKLAWN PSYCHIATRIC CENTER, Elkhart, Indiana, a day-care hospital, opened its doors in February, 1963. During its first nine months of operation it accepted 415 outpatients for treatment.

The three other MMHS hospitals—Brook Lane Farm Hospital, Prairie View Hospital, and Kings View Hospital—admitted 810 inpatients during the year and had a total of nearly 10,000 outpatient treatments, interviews, and visits. They also provided 881 days of day-care services. Prairie View Hospital, Newton, Kansas, expanded its services to the community during the year by contracting with the county commissioners to provide mental health services for the citizens of Harvey County.



FINANCIAL SUMMARY

For the Year Ended November 30, 1963

WE RECEIVED

Gifts of Cash	\$1,256,497.06	
Gifts of clothing, bedding, food, supplies, etc., from churches and individuals	1,344,276.93	
From the governments of U.S. and Canada	275,580.39	
Receipts of the four mental hospitals and Ailsa Craig Boys Farm	1,432,569.80	
Other income (Note 1)	358,361.24	\$4,667,285.42

WE SPENT

Foreign Relief and Services	\$2,716,978.26	
Voluntary Service	180,665.65	
Peace Section	54,549.49	
Mennonite Disaster Service	8,417.50	
Mennonite Mental Health Services	26,077.34	
Mental hospitals and Ailsa Craig Boys Farm operations	1,351,491.25	
Other expenditures (Note 2)	68,525.40	\$4,406,704.89

Excess of receipts over expenditures	\$260,580.53
Funds held for specific purposes	\$266,854.04
Available fund deficits December 1, 1962	\$109,622.85
Available fund deficits November 30, 1963	\$115,896.36

Note 1: Material aid repayments, trainee repayments, teacher abroad salaries, Voluntary Service personnel earnings, and headquarters housekeeping and housing income are included in this amount.

Note 2: Certain categories of interest expense and depreciation as well as headquarters housekeeping and housing expenses are included in this amount.

PEACE, RELIEF, AND SERVICE COMMITTEE BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH

Since 1940 The Brethren in Christ Church, through its Peace, Relief and Service Committee, has been a partner in the work of the Mennonite Central Committee. With funds, personnel, and gifts in kind the Brethren in Christ Church gives support to Relief, Pax, Voluntary Service, Aid, Peace testimony, Mental Health, and related services. Congregations and individuals supporting this program mail contributions to—

Clair H. Hoffman, Treasurer
Florin, Pennsylvania



Reminder . . .

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at about 11:30 a.m., they came from Hagi by limousine right up to the Sumo Stadium and were ushered to two large white chairs overlooking the arena. The arena was overflowing with, perhaps, 6,000 people and thousands were lining the streets. What applause from so many pairs of hands!

Then after 30 minutes according to schedule, the Emperor and Empress rose to leave. Spontaneously, the audience rose and raised their arms and voices in unison in the traditional shout: "Banzai!" (Hurrah!).

The black limousines then wended their way slowly through the city streets to the station where the special train was waiting, and they were off to the next city.

We had to think of that greater day when the King of Kings will come to meet those who are waiting for Him. Oh, that there might be thousands of these dear Japanese to raise their hands in glad welcome with us and shout "Banzai!"—All hail!—for King Jesus!

For this reason we have come to Japan. For this you are praying and giving. There is so much yet to be done. And the time—how much?

Doyle Book

February News Briefs from Bihar

MADHIPURA

Hospital—up to 280 patients a day.

Construction: Walls are going up, windows and doors being fitted into position on new workers' quarters. Next project: laundry quarters where the machine soon to arrive will be used. This is to be a two-story building: the lower for washing clothes and the upper for drying them during the rainy season.

Language study: weekly for Manns and Siders.

BARJORA

Three months' vacation ended, the four Pye children return to Woodstock School at the end of the month. Since they and Cheryl Sider are the only missionary children in our society, they have enjoyed being together occasionally—especially the younger ones.

Mission School: increased attendance this year; warm school spirit.

Dispensary: with winter over, crowds are on the increase.

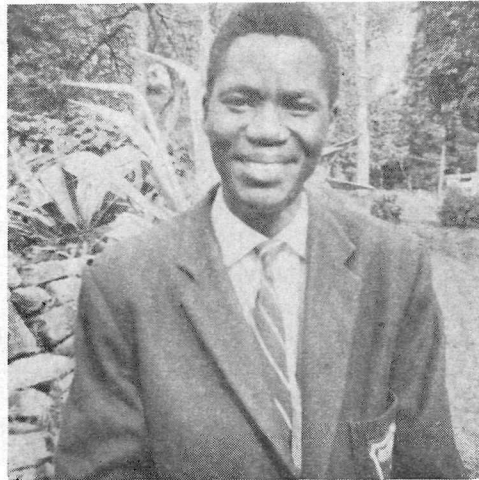
Meet An Overseas Christian

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REV. LUKE KEEFER was visiting a classroom at Matopo Mission when some beautiful handwriting caught his eye. "May I have a sample of that student's handwriting to take with me to America?" he later asked the teacher. The writing belonged to Simon Moyo, then a Form I (Ninth Grade) student.

As a child, Simon did not have much real homelife and was sent to one school after another. Once when he was twelve, he and his brother were in danger of attack by a leopard. They prayed and were protected.

Simon's father who is an officer in the army in Nigeria wants him to become an engineer; but Simon, who has leadership ability and a strong desire to serve Christ, wants to become a minister. He



says, "Pray for me to be one of the strong young Christians and also to work for the Lord all the days of my life. Pray for me, that God will make me conquer anger and make me a meek and gentle young Christian, for I often find myself angry, which is not good; so will you pray for me?"
G. H.

BANMANKHI

A new 40' x 40' building will house Girls' Literacy and Homemakers' School, instruction scheduled to begin March 15 and continue until July 15. The School will be under Dina's supervision with assistance from several Santal girls and Harvey Sider.

The new building will also come into use as a dormitory for the leaders and Sunday School teachers who come in from fifteen Uraon and Santal centers for monthly Bible training. During this past month these leaders showed special interest in a series of lessons on the doctrine of Christ. We are constantly amazed at their eagerness to study the Scriptures. Our visits to the villages give us opportunity to become better acquainted with these leaders and to observe them in their home surroundings.

SAHARSA

This District was responsible for setting up a bookstall at a religious fair held in a nearby Hindu Centre. Their attractive display of Christian literature occupied a prominent position on the main thoroughfare. The Saharsa Literature Centre has welcomed Erma Hare's return eagerly. The Centre continues to be used by students and professional people, some of whom express interest in the Christian religion and desire further counselling.

CAMPS

Two camps—one near Purnea, the other in the Saharsa/Madhipura area—were conducted by Dina during the winter season. In the former, two fam-

ilies expressed belief in Christ; and in the latter, two girls—with their families also showing keen interest in further teaching. Dina has a great burden for reaching the unsaved through camps and feels that this is the special work to which God has called her.

Harvey and Erma Sider

Soap-making Project

A recent communication from the Menonite Central Committee says:

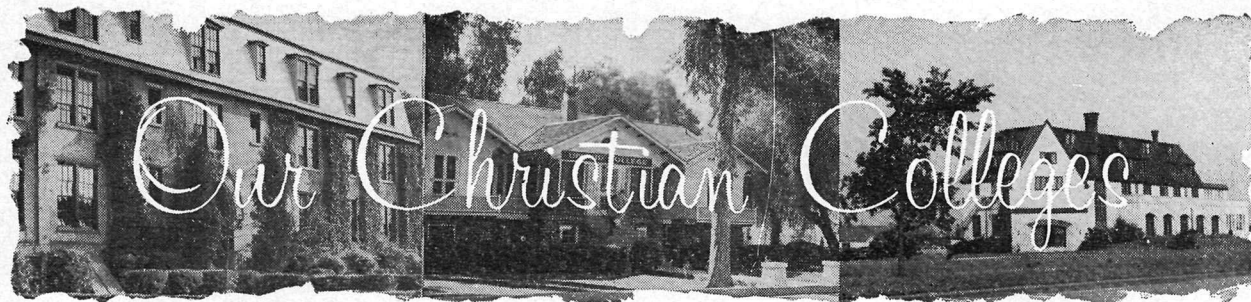
"Please encourage the women to make homemade laundry soap. Norman Wingert has written, 'We could use all the soap you send.' Within recent months we sent 350 cartons or about 19,000 pounds. Our inventory is low and we can use much more soap.

"Norman also wrote that school supplies can be 'yes, definitely' used. However, we have not sent any because our overseas requests total much more than we receive. Pencils, writing pads, composition books are the most needed school supply items.

*Mrs. Henry N. Hostetter
Mrs. John Knepper
WMSA*

URGENT NOTICE

Mount Carmel Children's Home, Morrison, Illinois, is in urgent need of a consecrated man and wife. Interested persons please contact Albert E. Cober, 212 Maple Avenue, Morrison, Illinois.



MESSIAH COLLEGE

MESSIAH COLLEGE LOSES \$5,000

A large United States corporation awards a gift of \$5,000 to each college receiving regional accreditation. The qualifying terms are that the college must not promote segregation or other regulations which might prohibit members of the corporation and their families from applying for admission.

When this corporation read that Messiah College does not allow smoking, drinking, gambling, card playing, their reaction was that children of their corporation would not feel welcome to apply at Messiah College.

HEISEY PASSES DOCTORAL EXAMINATION

Mr. D. Ray Heisey passed his final oral examination over his doctoral dissertation on March 11. This completes his work for the Ph.D. at Northwestern University where he will be graduated on June 13. Mr. Heisey's dissertation is entitled "Rhetorical and Homiletic Theory in the Warrack Lectures on Preaching, 1921-61."

COLLEGE DAYS

March 6 and 13 featured the annual College Days at Messiah College. This year witnessed the largest gathering of students in the history of these College Days.

Students traveled from Ohio, Indiana, and New York, in addition to Pennsylvania. A total of 186 persons registered with a number of additional guests, pastors, and friends also visiting. The students represented 45 high schools and were classified as juniors (75), seniors (71), and others (40).

The activities of the day featured visits to classes, campus tours, the Chapel service with anthems by the Choral Society, lunch in the College dining hall. In the afternoon the students met with Dr. Wittlinger, Dean of the Faculty; Miss Herr, the Registrar; Dr. Landis, Dean of Student Affairs; Mr. Long, Director of Religious Activities; and Mr. Smith, Admissions Counselor. They discussed college life, programs of study, religious activities, admissions procedure, and financial arrangements.

Applications for the fall semester are considerably ahead of the number registered this time last year. Present projections indicate a freshman class of 100. There is still ample time, however, to receive new applications. Interested students should direct their requests to the Office of Admissions, Messiah College, Grantham, Pa.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Twenty-three teams from twenty-one Brethren in Christ churches competed in the annual Brethren in Christ Basketball Tournament, held on the campus of Messiah College, March 6-7 and 12-14, 1964. Teams competed on a one-loss-elimination basis.

Emerging as champion of the "A League"

was the Grantham Brethren in Christ team, who downed a powerful Clarence Center team by the score of 64-57. In the "B League" Mt. Rock overpowered the Chambersburg team to the tune of 61-48, while in the "C League" Five Forks edged out Bellevue Park, 48-46, on a basket with six seconds to go in the first overtime. Mr. Luke Drescher of the college faculty is director of this event.

BIGHAM AWARDED FELLOWSHIP

The Fund for Theological Education recently announced the award of a Rockefeller Brothers Theological Fellowship to Darrel Bigham. Darrel is a history major and member of the senior class. He is one of the fifty award winners selected from 800 nominees.

These awards are made to persons not definitely committed to the Christian ministry, but who are prepared to consider it as a possible vocation. The award pays room, board, tuition, fees, books, and a spending stipend for one year of study at a theological school. By virtue of this award Darrel has been accepted at the Harvard University Divinity School where he will study with such leaders as Dr. J. Lawrence Burkholder and Dr. Gordon Kauffman of the Mennonite Church.

UPLAND COLLEGE

GROUNDBREAKING FOR RESIDENCE HALL

Groundbreaking for the Memorial Student Residence Hall was a significant event on March 8, the Sunday of the Pacific Regional Conference. On a beautiful sunny afternoon the ceremony was held on the site of the new dormitory across Alpine Street south of the gymnasium. Participating in the program were church, educational, and community leaders. The Motet Choir sang under the direction of Dr. Royce Saltzman. After the interesting address by the president, Dr. John Z. Martin, on the subject, "A Look at the Future," the ground was broken by representatives of the Board of Trustees, the staff, the students, the alumni, and the community.

This residence hall has been planned for a long time and is very much needed in this growing institution. It is the first building to be erected in an expanding program of further campus development. Plans call for the erection of a library at a later date as the next advance step.

The new residence hall will contain living quarters for sixty-four students with two students to a room and four rooms to a unit. Each unit will have its own bath and lounge. Besides these there will be a general lounge, a large recreation room, and a supervisor's apartment.

The total building will contain 15,502 square feet. It will be very comfortable and adequate with locations well suited for individual study, discussion groups, and larger social gatherings. Later there will be added housing for thirty-two more students, a dining hall, a kitchen,

and an infirmary. Thus space for a total of ninety-six students and dining facilities for approximately 300 will be provided.

Construction of the building is to begin in the near future.

SPIRITUAL VISION WEEK

The enlargement of spiritual vision was the result of special services of the college held the first week of March.

The principal speaker of the occasion was Rev. Paul Haines of the Oriental Missionary Society. Born of missionary parents in Korea and active for twelve years as a missionary in that land, he drew many vivid illustrations from the lives of Korean Christian heroes and martyrs.

In two impressive messages, Rev. Mr. Haines presented "The Characteristics of a Christian Faith," namely, prayer, the love of the Word of God, eagerness in witnessing, stewardship, and persecution and hardship.

The concluding sessions of the week were held in the Mt. Baldy Village Church Friday afternoon and evening. The climax was reached under the ministry of Dr. Bill Bright of Campus Crusade for Christ. He indicated the need for death to self and the filling of the Holy Spirit. The response to the invitation to total consecration and acceptance of the Holy Spirit by faith evoked a whole-hearted and unreserved response from the audience.

Other speakers of the week in one service each were Rev. Bill Freeman of the Yorba Linda, California, Friends' Church and Dr. Ted Engstrom of World Vision, former president of Youth for Christ, International.

NIAGARA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

STUDENTS POST WINS IN BASKETBALL AND PUBLIC SPEAKING

N.C.C. is a charter member of the Ontario Athletic Association of Christian Schools. This year, for the first time, we won the basketball championship. The N.C.C. Golden Raiders played an undefeated schedule of regular games, and kept up their superiority in the semi-final and final games. Larry Sider, Mike Whitby and Clark Hudson led the scoring. The hockey team has also won most of its games, and the baseball team was tied with Eden Christian College last fall when bad weather forced a postponement until spring.

In the annual Lions Club public speaking contest, Harry and Penny Nigh gained a double win over contestants from Fort Erie High School. They go on to higher competition in April.

Another contest is coming up in the form of Easter exams. We hope our students do as well in these as in sports this year.

The student choir, under the direction of Mr. Charles Lady, makes a tour of Michigan and Ontario churches during the Easter recess. The Niagara Choral Society, composed of people from the community interested in singing, is having a busy season.

Home Missions and Extension

SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN:

RONALD LOFTHOUSE, pastor of the new work at Massey Place, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan; comes from Cheapside, Ontario; wife, Marjorie. He was educated at Niagara Christian College, University of Canada, Toronto Bible College, and received A.B. and Th.B. degrees at Messiah College in 1961; his wife attended Niagara Christian College and Rockway Mennonite School. His hobby, fishing; hers, knitting and sewing.

The Lofthouses were in mission work in Toronto, 1952 to 1957; he took the pastorate at Moore's Church (Lewistown) while in college at Grantham. The ministerial call had come to him through a dream which persisted with deep conviction over several years, and which was confirmed by opening doors.

Last November the Women's Missionary Prayer Challenge requested prayer for the work at Massey Place; and the breakthrough came. A medical doctor and his family, a young lawyer, and the manager of a construction firm joined the fellowship of this little church. The last-mentioned now heads the men's group.

From time to time throughout the past year, topnotch helpers have come into the work at Massey Place: a teacher for the adult Bible Class; a music planner, former choir singer from England; an organist, demonstrator for a music firm; and a youth director who is an electronics specialist. Nothing less than a miracle, how God brought in these capable people.

WALSINGHAM, ONTARIO:

JOHAN PAWELSKI, pastor since July, 1962, at Walsingham (Port Rowan, Ontario), born at Roxana, Illinois; wife Ruth, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. O. U. Herr, born at Englewood, Ohio. She took her junior college work at Messiah College. Both of them received the A.B. degree from Greenville (Illinois) College, where they met.

The Pawelskis served in Cuba from 1958 to 1960; upon return to the States, John finished work for his B.D. degree at Asbury Seminary, Wilmore, Kentucky. He was called to missionary work while a high school student; his wife was drawn toward this service ever since she can remember.

John's hobby, reading. Ruth's, diverse: music, liquid embroidery, and making illustrated talks for children.

Remarkable answer to prayer: One Saturday pastor John was getting nowhere with sermon preparation. Praying for guidance, he was led to preach on sanctification. That Sunday morning, a busy mother of eight came to the altar. She testified that she had been reading a book loaned her by the pastor, and had prayed that if this experience was for her, God should make it the theme of the sermon next Sunday. This incident made plain that our God is of power to hear prayer, to direct in detail, and to "give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him."



Meet the Curtis Bryant family.

COME TO KENTUCKY!

PERHAPS YOU have never been there. Well come, we want you to meet some of the folk who work and live in Kentucky.

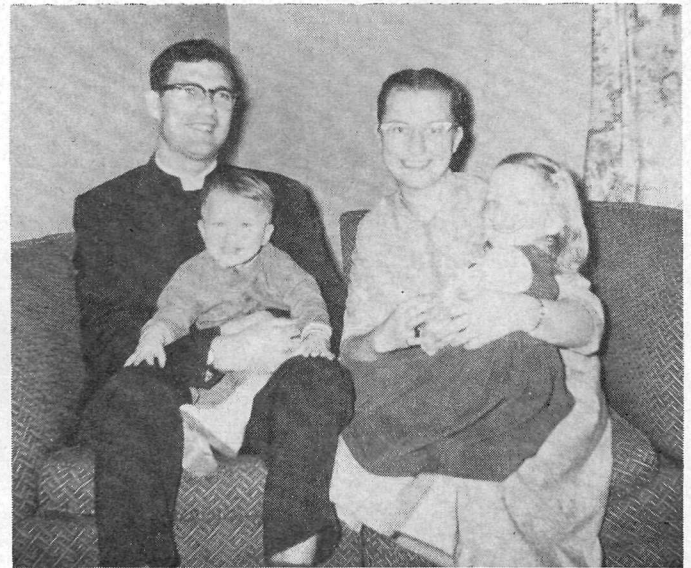
Curtis and Betty Bryant come from Iowa, where they were members of the Des Moines Brethren in Christ Church. Curtis was born at Fort Dodge. He is a graduate of the former Jabbok Bible School at Thomas, Oklahoma, class of 1951. It was while here he first felt God's call to Christian work.

Brother Bryant gave five years of service in the Des Moines Church and Sunday school while employed by Borden's Dairy. Encouraged by the late Rev. H. W. Landis and his nephew, Rev. H. F. Landis, he accepted a call to the ministry.

In July of 1960 the Bryants were assigned to work in Kentucky. In their locality (Garlin), one pastor serves two congregations under a unique situation,



Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Lofthouse; children: Beth, Robert and Bonnie.



Rev. and Mrs. John Pawelski; children: Danny and Hope.

in that Beulah Chapel is a congregation under the Central Conference, while Bloomington is sponsored by the Board for Home Missions and Extension.

At Bloomington, upon their arrival the Bryants found no Christian young people. What an open field! A number have subsequently been saved, and in May of last year two teen-age fellows united with the church. The progress of these boys is encouraging.

Did you ever know a growing work that did not need money for enlargement? Bloomington is no exception. Classroom partitions for the basement—the young people sold Christmas cards to help. Paint for the building—the children at Holiness Camp last summer paid that and, with fifty dollars additional, started a furnace fund. New flooring is needed in the Bloomington church. These dear folk are giving very generously; one almost wonders how they can give so much. But the work needs both the encouragement and the help of friends, near or far.

Do Pacifists Help Cause War?

(Continued from page five)

the way in which I conceive of God is the way that others must accept.

I am guilty of war when I think that the land of a man's birth must necessarily be the place of his livelihood and home, regardless of his desires.

I am guilty of war if I make no effort to counteract war-like actions on the part of my government.

—Menlo Park, California. The writer, with a Danforth Scholarship, is studying for a Master's Degree at Stanford University



The Tobacco Question in the Church

PART III

GENERAL CONFERENCE has from time to time debated the tobacco question and legislated concerning it. Note the following excerpts from the official minutes.

Minutes of 1872

"Are members permitted to traffic or speculate in tobacco? *Answer.* No."

Minutes of 1877

"Is it consistent for members to use tobacco in any form? *Answer.* It is not consistent and is acknowledged an evil, especially among the ministering brethren, and those using it are heartily warned by the Church to abstain from its use."

Minutes of 1879

"Since the Church has pronounced tobacco an evil, can those that continue to use and cultivate the same, consistently use the apostle's language: 'If meat cause my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth.' *Answer.* They cannot."

Minutes of 1912

"Conference considered and adopted the following:—

"Resolved, that we rejoice in the progress of philanthropy and reform throughout the brotherhood and that it is gratifying to observe among other things a marked and growing aversion to the culture, sale and use of tobacco, and that the preachers, teachers and parents by public advocacy and personal appeal and circulation of suitable literature and in all other worthy ways urge and continue the Holy war against this pernicious and filthy business."

Minutes of 1921

"Science declares and has proven beyond possible contradiction that tobacco contains nicotine, which is narcotic poison.

"By legal statute the educators of our children are required to teach its injurious effects upon body, mind, and morals.

"Even ungodly men admit that its use is a filthy habit.

"And the world itself is beginning to cry out for deliverance from its ravages on health and morals, especially among the young and rising generations.

"Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread?' Isaiah 55:2. The spending of money for tobacco is undeniably a misuse of the Lord's money.

"Note carefully the following scriptural quotations:

"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God,' I Corinthians 10:31.

"Let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God,' II Corinthians 7:1.

"Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?"

"If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of

God is holy, which temple ye are.' I Corinthians 3:16-17.

"Based on the above recorded facts and scriptural quotations, those who use tobacco, or engage in its traffic or production, are violators of the spirit and teachings of the Holy Scriptures, and of the sanction of the Church.

"The users are indulging in that which is unholy, unclean and injurious.

"Those who engage either directly or indirectly in its traffic or production receive financial gain from that which is almost universally admitted to be an evil and curse to the world.

"The evils of tobacco appear all the greater when considered in contrast with Bible Holiness, as believed in and taught by the Brethren in Christ Church, and also in contrast with the plain attire worn as a mark of separation from the world.

COMMITTEE.

"Report of committee was accepted."

Minutes of 1922

"Inasmuch as General Conference has accepted the report of a committee appointed by General Conference of 1920, which stated that those who use tobacco or engage in its traffic or production are violators of the spirit and teachings of the Holy Scriptures and of the sanction of the Church; and,

"Since some districts have decided not to take into church fellowship or admit to communion those who use tobacco or engage in its traffic; therefore,

"We pray General Conference to give expression as to whether or not such districts are inconsistent.

"ACTION — General Conference approved the action of said districts and declared that they are not inconsistent."

CHURCH NEWS

BULLETIN-BITS

Pastor David Wenger, Abilene, Kansas has accepted a call to the Union Grove Church, Nappanee, Indiana, the change effective this summer.

Silverdale, Pa., reports the presence of the men and their wives, members of the Silverdale Volunteer Fire Co., in the Sunday morning worship service, March 8.

Paxman John D. Brubaker and wife, Elizabethtown, Pa., presented the work of MCC in word and picture at Montgomery, Pa., Crusaders program, Sunday evening, March 15.

Editor Hostetter was guest minister for both services at Clarence Center, New York, Sunday, March 15.

Daniel Poysti is scheduled for Deeper Life services at Carlisle, Pa. April 17-19.

Harry Bert, now serving as a student pastor, has accepted a call to the pastorate for a three year term, Mount Rock, Pa.

The Fairland Chorus, Cleona Pa., presented an Easter Cantata at Maytown, Pa., Sunday evening, April 12.

The Elizabethtown Mennonite Choral Singers presented the Sunday evening program at Cross Roads, Pa., March 29.

Rev. and Mrs. Earl D. Brechbill, Montgomery congregation, Pa., celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with open house, March 29.

The Board of Bishops held their quarterly meeting at Evangel Press, April 3-4. They ministered to the Village Church, Union Grove, Christian Union and Bethel congregations, Sunday morning, April 5.

Wes Christian, Fort Wayne, Indiana, was guest speaker for Holy Week services at Phone-ton, Ohio.

Sippo Valley, Ohio, reports an impressive church membership reception service, receiving fourteen new members, Sunday, March 15. Pastor Marion Berg and wife were received by letter of transfer from the Mennonite Church.

Retired minister, Rev. H. A. Fink, held a surprise dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald S. Weaver, Woodbury, Pa., in honor of his wife's 75th birthday, February 16, 1964.

Editor Hostetter spoke to an attendance of about 300 at the Nappanee, Indiana, Easter Sunrise service, sponsored by the Ministerium and the Jaycees.

Carlisle congregation, Pa., received 22 into the membership of the church over the Easter season.

Mrs. Joe B. Smith's father, A. E. Mitchell, Bible teacher and missionary, passed away in California, March 16. The Mitchells saw their two sons and four daughters all enter full-time Christian service.

ORLANDO, FLORIDA

During these winter months we have had an unusual number of guest speakers. Dr. Arthur Climenhaga spoke in one of our morning worship services. Dr. Asa Climenhaga spoke to us on the theme "Our Church Heritage." Mrs. Wingert's father, Rev. Samuel Lady, gave an evening evangelistic message.

We were pleased to have Brother and Sister E. J. Swalm accompanied by the Orland Teals, visit us in the middle of February. Brother Swalm gave a presentation to the young married people's class and then presented the message during the morning worship hour.

Harry Burkholder accompanied the Clarence Herts. We were pleased to have Brother Burkholder speak to us a few times during their six weeks stay about the work at the Life Line Mission in San Francisco. Quite a number of the congregation attended some of the services at Camp Freedom. We were delighted to have the Henderson Sisters Trio from Gormley, Ontario, stop over and present a very inspirational program.

With us for the winter is Miss Joan Wingert who has served at the Navajo Mission in New Mexico. We enjoy her contributions to the services. Bishop Henry A. Ginder brought a message to our people during his annual visit. We are looking forward to the coming of Rev. Lane Hostetter to serve as evangelist, April 1-12.

—Gerald Wingert, Pastor

MOWERSVILLE, PA.

Pastor Leon Herr of the Clear Creek congregation near Everett, Pa., was evangelist for our

special services, February 16-March 1. The attendance was good. There was a sense of the Lord's presence in the services resulting in many souls kneeling at an altar of prayer, with definite victories reported. We praise God for His blessings.

—Doris Bert

CARLISLE, PA.

The Annual Worker banquet for the Parents of boys enrolled in Christian Service Brigade was held at the Carlisle Brethren in Christ Church, March 2.

Speaker for the dinner was Benson Klinger, engineering consultant from Lemoyne, Pa. He was an outstanding athlete while in attendance at Hershey High School and the University of Delaware. He achieved the title of "All-State" quarterback in football. As a Christian young man he was active in Inter-varsity Fellowship.

A senior at Cumberland Valley School, Robert Troutman, Jr., was guest musician for the banquet. He serves as YFC Club president at Cumberland Valley. The eastern area representative for Christian Service Brigade, Rev. Robert Draper, was in attendance.

BELLEVUE PARK CHURCH, HARRISBURG, PA.

We have now concluded the first year of activity in the new church located at 2001 Chestnut Street, Harrisburg, Pa. The enlarged facilities and finer accommodations have added much to our ministry. Percentages show an 8 per cent increase in the morning service; 25 per cent in the evening service and 21 per cent increase for the midweek service.

We rejoice in eleven decisions for Christ among our youth during this year. Six children were publicly dedicated to the Lord. Numerous guest speakers have ministered both in regular and special services. Missions emphasis, the program of relief, Christian education, evangelism and general church activity were emphasized by a variety of guest ministers.

Seven received the rite of water baptism in the forepart of March with six of these to be received into church membership on Palm Sunday.

CROSS ROADS, MT. JOY, PA.

Pastor Edward Gilmore, Wainfleet, Ontario, served as evangelist, February 23-March 8. His emphasis of the deeper life and the near coming of the Lord proved a great blessing to the congregation. Quite a number of children were saved and several sought the Lord for a new anointing of the Spirit.

The Junior Prayer Band under the leadership of Mrs. Jay N. Heisey sponsored a special Children's Missionary service. The Robert Lehman family, now on furlough, living here in Florin, gave a stimulating and unique program to an eager audience of fifty children.

Lancaster YFC director, Robert Neff, was guest speaker, Crusaders Day. Talent from within the Crusaders group provided the special music. A missions emphasis included a message by Rev. Roy Mann, now serving at the Fellowship Chapel in New York City and John Arthur Brubaker who spoke concerning the new Skyline View extension church near Harrisburg, Pa. A generous offering was received for this new church. Pastor B. E. Thuma conducted a child dedication service Sunday morning, February 2.

THOMAS, OKLAHOMA,

A NOTE FROM THE ENGLS

Well-known throughout our brotherhood, are Brother and Sister Mike Engle of Thomas, Oklahoma. As a carpenter, Brother Engle's services are known and appreciated from east to west. Few men in our brotherhood have given as much time in construction work, in-

cluding the Navajo Mission in New Mexico, Life Mission in San Francisco and in addition, has supervised numerous church building projects.

Brother Engle would like to express his thanks for the 140 and more cards and letters received in honor of his 18th birthday. You see, while Brother Engle has reached the age of 76 years, his birthday being February 29, he can only celebrate every four years. (This should have been his 19th birthday but 1900 failed to include 29 days in February.) Congratulations, Brother Engle and more returns of the day!

Births

ASPER—Duane Neil, born March 13, 1964, to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Asper, Manor congregation, Pa.

BARR—Christiana Dawn, born February 15, 1964, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barr, Carlisle congregation, Pa.

BEACHY—Kenneth Alvin, fifth child, born March 8, 1964, to Mr. and Mrs. Willard Beachy, Chestnut Grove congregation, Ohio.

BREON—Gary Wayne, born November 8, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Breon, Air Hill congregation, Pa.

BRUBAKER—Esther Mae, born February 14, 1964, to Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Brubaker, Antrim congregation, Pa.

BUCKWALTER—Susan Linnette, first child, born January 31, 1964, to Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Buckwalter, Marsh Creek congregation, Pa.

COBER—Sheldon Ray, first son, third child, born February 8, 1964, to Pastor and Mrs. Lewis Cober, Chestnut Grove congregation, Ohio.

GINDER—Beven Royce, born January 21, 1964, to Rev. and Mrs. Carl Ginder, Wanezi Mission, Southern Rhodesia, Africa.

HARNISH—Tami Cheri, born February 8, 1964, to Mr. and Mrs. Abram Harnish, Pequea congregation, Pa.

HEISTER—Curtis Edward, born November 11, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. Orville Heister, Pequea congregation, Pa.

PITTMAN—Jeffrey James, born February 18, 1964, to Mr. and Mrs. James Pittman, Green Springs congregation, Pa.

ZOERB—Robert Henry and Russell Elmer, twin boys, born February 17, 1964, to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Zoerb, Delisle congregation, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Weddings

DAGEN-FRY—Miss Judith E. Fry, daughter of Mrs. Esther Fry and the late Earl M. Fry, Conestoga, Pa., became the bride of Mr. James R. Dagen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abram Dagen, Conestoga, Pa., January 11, 1964. Rev. Wayne Atwell performed the ceremony in the Highville EUB Church.

HENRY-NOLT—Miss Ella Mae Nolt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Nolt, Ephrata, Pa., and Mr. Glen Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abram Henry, Manheim, Pa., were united in marriage, February 29, 1964. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Earl Martin, Jr.

HESS-MILLER — Miss Esther Ruth Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Miller, East Canton, Ohio, became the bride of Mr. Roy N. Hess, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy N. Hess, Lancaster, Pa., June 29, 1963. The ceremony was performed in the Grantham Brethren in Christ Church, Rev. Cyrus G. Lutz, uncle of the groom officiating.

KUEHN-BROWN — Miss Mary Ann Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, Pine Grove, Pa., became the bride of Mr. Elmer Kuehn, son of Mrs. C. Kuehn, Pine Grove, Pa., December 21, 1963. The ceremony was performed in the Tremont Brethren in Christ Church, Pastor Homer H. Rissinger officiating.

LAMBERT-FREEMAN—Louise Freeman, Wainfleet, Ontario, and Gerald Lambert, Wainfleet, Ontario, were united in marriage, March 7, 1964. The ceremony was performed at the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. Andrew McNiven.

MUSSER-GROVE—Miss Doris Grove, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Grove, Mercersburg, Pa., became the bride of Martin Musser, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Musser, St. Thomas, Pa., March 8, 1964. The ceremony was performed at the Antrim Brethren in Christ Church with Pastor Harvey B. Musser and Rev. Roy Hawbaker officiating.

WRIGHT-LANE—Ruby Lane, St. Anns, Ontario, became the bride of George Wright, Hamilton, Ontario, March 7, 1964. The ceremony was performed in the Boyle Brethren in Christ Church, Pastor Andrew McNiven officiating.

Obituaries

CHAPMAN—Florence H. Chapman, born November 30, 1907, passed away in the Williamsport Hospital, March 10, 1964. She was a faithful member of the Montoursville Brethren in Christ Church and will be greatly missed.

Besides her husband, Roy Chapman, she is survived by her father, mother, five brothers, two sisters, two sons, three daughters and eleven grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the Spitler Funeral Home in Montoursville with her pastor, Rev. John L. Bundy, officiating. Interment was in the Oaklawn Cemetery.

GORDEN—Howard B. Gorden, born October 14, 1906, passed away, January 27, 1964, at his home in Springhope, Pa. He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Mrs. Gail Morris, Schellsburg; and Louise at home. One grandson, his father and a brother also survive. He attended the Springhope Church.

Funeral services were held in the Springhope Brethren in Christ Church. Pastor Jesse S. Oldham officiated, assisted by Rev. Rayford Feaster. Interment was in the Fishertown Cemetery.

HOFFMAN — Ruth E. Hoffman, Grantham, Penna., was born October 10, 1892, in Lancaster County, Pa., passed away at Harrisburg, December 29, 1963. She had two sisters, the late Mary E. and Clara E. who served for many years on the faculty of Messiah College. She was the last member of her immediate family, three brothers and three sisters having preceded her in death. She is survived by four nieces.

Funeral services were conducted by Dr. C. N. Hostetter, Jr., at the funeral home in Me-

chanicsburg, Pa. Interment was in the family plot in the Cross Roads Cemetery, Mt. Joy, Pa.

HOOVER — Elizabeth Smith Hoover, oldest daughter of the late S. R. and Elizabeth Light Smith, was born February 21, 1876, departed this life, February 16, 1964. Early in life she accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her Saviour and united with the Brethren in Christ Church. She remained true to her Lord, serving Him as she felt led.

She was united in marriage to Frederick Hoover who predeceased her more than twenty years ago. She is survived by two sons, Irvin and Clarence, Harrisburg; and two daughters, Mrs. Simon Horstick and Mrs. Violet Thrush, Harrisburg. One son and two daughters predeceased her. One sister, a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services were held in the Boyer Funeral Home, Schellsville, Pa. Rev. John A. Climenhaga officiated. Mrs. Hoover was laid to rest on her 88th birthday. Interment was in the Hanoverdale Cemetery.

LECHLITNER—Fern May Lechlitner, daughter of Melvin and Merlie Lechlitner, was born June 5, 1921 in Elkhart County, Indiana. She died of a heart attack at Fort Wayne, Indiana, February 19, 1964.

She is survived by her parents, two brothers, James, Elkhart; Frank at home and one sister, Violet Jean Hoover, Elkhart. Her childlike faith in Christ caused her to look forward to heaven where there would be no more sickness and pain.

Funeral services were conducted at the Union Grove Brethren in Christ Church. Carl G. Stump and Jesse Hoover officiated. Burial was in the Olive Cemetery.

NORNHOLD—Mrs. Anna Mary Nornhold, 79, widow of Samuel E. Nornhold, entered into rest, February 7, 1964. For many years she lived in the Mount Pleasant congregation. Since the death of her husband, twenty years ago, she has resided with her daughter at Hershey, Pa. She was a faithful member of the Palmyra Brethren in Christ Church and until a year ago, when she suffered disability through a stroke, had an unusual record for regular Sunday school attendance.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Walter Kreider, Mt. Joy; and Mrs. Miriam N. Henry, Hershey; two sons, Alpheus, Lititz; and Samuel, Hershey; two brothers, seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

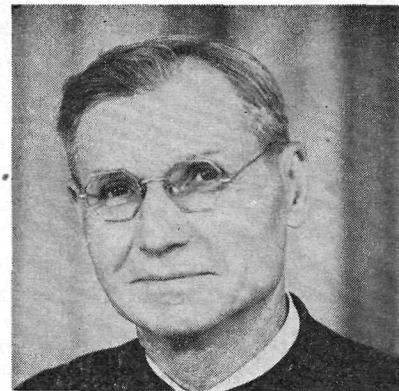
Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, C. N. Hostetter, Jr., with interment in the Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

SHEETS — Lillian G. Sheets, 85 years old, widow of the late Enos N. Sheets, was born in Clay County, Kansas. Her husband preceded her in death five years ago. Six children survive: Harold, Marie, Ralph, Vernon, Orville and Warren. The oldest daughter, Frances, preceded her in death by only a few hours. A double funeral service was conducted in California.

As a teen-ager, Mrs. Sheets was active in the Clay Center Brethren in Christ Church. Following change of her membership to the Wesleyan Methodist Church, upon moving to California some years ago, she transferred her membership and worshipped in a nearby congregation of the Nazarene Church.

THOMAS—Rev. Lewis E. Thomas was born March 19, 1889 at Sandusky, Michigan, passed away, January 31, 1964.

He was united in marriage to Sarah Freeland, May 17, 1910. In addition to his wife he is



Rev. Lewis Thomas.

survived by two daughters, Mrs. Herman Geistenberger, Midland, Michigan; Mrs. Randall Starr, Sandusky, Michigan; and one son, Rev. Erwin W. Thomas, Nappanee, Indiana. One brother, twelve grandchildren and five great-grandchildren also survive.

Brother Thomas united with the Brethren in Christ Church in 1925. He was faithful in his love to the Lord and service to the church. In 1927 he was chosen as a deacon to serve the Mooretown congregation. In 1945 he was ordained to the Christian ministry in the Brethren in Christ Church. He served as pastor of the Merrill congregation for seven years.

Funeral services were held in the Mooretown Brethren in Christ Church. Pastor Melvin E. Stauffer officiated, assisted by Rev. Henry Schneider. Interment was in the Greenwood Cemetery.

MCC News

HAITIAN PRESIDENT HOLDS AUDIENCE WITH MDS VOLUNTEERS

AKRON, PA. (MCC)—Upon completion of disaster service activities, MDS volunteers were granted a 55 minute private audience with President Duvalier of Haiti on March 3, in the Yellow Room of the Palace.

Health Minister Philippeaux arranged the audience and coached the men on the proper decorum for the occasion. Observing three coatless and tieless Mennonites, Philippeaux promptly relieved three of his office staff of their coats and ties and loaned them to the MDS men.

The President received the group while seated at his desk, shook hands as each man was introduced, and listened to the Health Minister describe the work in Haiti done by Mennonite Central Committee units and Mennonite Disaster Service volunteers.

After the introductions, a photo album illustrating the rebuilding project at Cotes de Fer was presented to the President. He requested that these pictures be shown on television so that his people could see what foreigners had accomplished in their country. He also thanked the men for their services and announced that he wished to award them with citations the next day from the Haitian government.

MENNONITE INDEMNITY, INC., DECLARES DIVIDEND

AKRON, PA. (MCC)—1963 has been the most profitable year in Mennonite Indemnity, Inc.'s (MII) six-year history. The premium volume has continued to increase, losses incurred dropped considerably, and management expenses remained substantially unchanged. The re-

sult has been a marked increase in the company's surplus.

The board of directors of MII for the first time declared a stockholder's dividend. At the end of 1963, MII showed a profit of \$30,679. The dividend amounts to four per cent on the investment for stockholders and comes to 60 cents per share.

Losses were heaviest in 1961 and 1962 because of widespread wind and fire damage. Also, during the early years, incorporation of the company was a major expense. But ever

since inception, MII has experienced a steady and rapid increase of premiums; \$66,000 gross premiums written in 1958 compared to \$285,000 written in 1963.

The MII company is presently studying ways to provide multi-peril coverage but at this point it is not certain when this new development will be ready for implementation. However, this change will expand the company's services, and will lead to a closer working relationship with fellow mutual aid companies.

In 1958, MII came into being in order to

meet the reinsurance need among Mennonite mutual aid societies.

TEACHERS WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN CLEVELAND

AKRON, PA. (MCC)—An insistent new frontier facing the Christian church today is the inner core of America's big Northern cities. The Voluntary Service department of the Mennonite Central Committee is planning to send teachers to the Negro ghettos of Cleveland, Ohio, to help improve the educational standards.

Missions in America

Explanatory note: Missions () and Extension Churches are listed as per address.*

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The President of the U.S. said recently: "Full participation in our society can no longer be reserved for men of one color. We intend to press forward with legislation, with education, and with action until we have eliminated the last barrier of intolerance."

Much of the responsibility for righting this wrong falls upon the church. Ten skilled and concerned elementary teachers, going voluntarily to Cleveland as obedient Christian disciples, and armed with the special skills needed for this assignment, can begin to make a difference. But thus far the response has been disappointing. If no more teachers apply, this project will be seriously handicapped.

Invisible ghetto walls, more treacherous than the walls of Berlin, ensnare most of the 275,000 Negroes of Cleveland. Whites and blacks are as far apart in this Northern city as they are in the South. In the North, economic barriers are swiftly taking the place of segregation by race. Lack of money effectively slams shut certain business and entertainment doors in the face of the Negro. True equality cannot be achieved so long as Negroes are kept below economic par. Successful job competition is dependent upon education. For this reason, (and the only way to open all doors), it is important to keep Negro youngsters in school.

EDUCATION FOR JORDAN ORPHANS

While serving as MCC relief workers in frontier villages in the Hebron area of Jordan, Ada and Ida Stoltzfus, Morgantown, Pa., seized the opportunity to do something for the many orphan children around them.

During the time they were on loan from MCC to the International Christian Committee, the Stoltzfuses noticed large numbers of homeless children and made provisions for housing them. Being trained teachers, the Stoltzfuses also took steps to provide education for the children. An elementary boarding school came into being under the auspices of the Mennonite Central Committee and gradually grew into a reputable institution.

Walter Martin, former MCC director in Jordan helped secure a preparatory boarding school offering grades seven through nine, in addition to the initial elementary institution.

The two schools, located at Hebron and Beit Jala respectively, together have approximately 150 boarding students. Each of them is managed by MCC relief workers with the assistance of a Pax man. Ada and Ida Stoltzfus, Morgantown, Pa., and Russel Leinbach, Petoskey, Mich., are at the Hebron Mennonite Orphanage. At Beit Jala, near Bethlehem, are Bernard and Nettie Klassen, Steinbach, Man., and Stanley Weaver, Elida, Ohio.

The Jordan school curriculum is adhered to and classes are taught in Arabic by national teachers. In addition to the prescribed curriculum, there are classes in English, religious instruction, and chapel assembly every morning.

American sponsors underwrite the costs by contributing regular monthly payments of \$17.50 for each boy. MCC also sends in shipments of clothing, school supplies, and canned foods.

News Items

BOARD OF BISHOPS URGENTLY REQUEST:

The Bishops convening in quarterly meeting, Nappanee, Indiana, April 3-4, 1964, gave consideration to the need of a Constitutional Amendment to preserve the religious heritage of our nation.

We recognize a Constitutional Amendment as absolutely necessary to clear up the confusion that has arisen as a result of the Supreme

Court's decision, June 17, 1963, regarding prayer and Bible reading in the public schools.

Being conscious of the fact that this ruling by the Court may lead to further rulings, casting aside many of our most honored and respected practices such as: removing "In God We Trust" from our coins; the opening of Congress, Supreme Court and other similar gatherings by prayer; the celebration of Christmas by singing Christmas carols in our schools; the singing of Christian anthems by school choirs; the expression of reliance upon God in our state institutions; the granting of tax-exempt status for churches and other religious organizations.

The Bishops, first of all, wish to call our constituency to earnest prayer that God may enable our religious heritage to be preserved. Secondly, that we encourage all to write their representatives in Congress. Let them know your concern for keeping God in our national life as well as the Bible in our schools. Ask him to sign Discharge Petition No. 3 at the clerk's desk, a procedural matter of bringing House Joint Resolution 693, providing for an amendment to the Constitution, to the floor for debate.

Address your letter to

The Honorable (name of representative)

House of Representatives

Washington 25, D. C.

The Bishops are supporting the Becker Amendment and the urgency at this time is the bringing of this amendment to the floor of Congress which at present is being detained by the House Judiciary Committee. Hence, your letters are needed NOW to your representatives.

Board of Bishops

Alvin C. Burkholder, Secretary

NHA CONVENES IN MINNEAPOLIS

The 96th Annual National Holiness Convention was held April 1-3, 1964, in the Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota. With a peak attendance of nearly 1,000 there were some 600 that attended the various Seminars and 400 officially registered for the Convention.

Dr. Paul Kindschi, Wesleyan Methodist Church, was elected the new President. First Vice-president, Dr. Myron Boyd, Free Methodist Church; Second Vice-president, Lt. Col. Bramwell Tripp, Salvation Army; Third Vice-president, Dr. Kenneth Geiger, United Missionary Church; Recording Secretary, Bishop Charlie B. Byers, Brethren in Christ; Treasurer, Dr. Melvin Snyder, Pilgrim Holiness. These officers comprise the executive committee of the National Holiness Association for 1964-65.

Alvin C. Burkholder,

Denominational Representative

NOTE RISE IN ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION

IN WEST GERMANY

STUTTGART, GERMANY (EP)—The continued increase in alcohol consumption in West Germany was attacked here "not only as a danger to the individual, but to society as a whole" by Pastor Erich Freudenstein, chairman of the Evangelical Working Committee to Fight Addiction, an agency of the Evangelical Church in Germany (EKID).

He said that per capita beer consumption alone has grown from 38 liters in 1950 to 108 liters in 1962; cigarette sales rose from 25 billion to more than 83 billion in the same period.

Revocations of driver's licenses because of

drunken driving have increased 264 per cent in five years, Pastor Freudenstein said.

There are now 250,000 alcoholics in this country; about 10 per cent of them are women.

MORTICIAN WARNS CLERGY MAY

LOSE ROLE IN FUNERAL RITES

BERKELEY, CALIF. (EP)—A mortician warned ministers here that they may find themselves left out of funeral services if they continue to campaign for the "simplified and memorialized" type of ceremony.

Lloyd Truman of Truman Mortuary, Oakland, made the comment in an address before some 300 Protestant clergymen attending a pastoral conference seminar at the Pacific School of Religion.

"There is a strong indication," he said, "that the elimination of the minister and his spiritual message in connection with the disposition of the dead is well stated."

The mortician assailed "promotion of cheapness in the guise of simplicity" and said it "thwarts and stifles those wholesome qualities of affection, generosity and self-respect. Most people don't want just a memorial service."

MOONEYHAM JOINS GRAHAM TEAM

MINNEAPOLIS (EP)—W. Stanley Mooneyham of Wheaton, Illinois, will join the Billy Graham Evangelistic Team in mid-April as a special assistant to Dr. Graham.

Since 1959, Mr. Mooneyham has been director of information for the National Association of Evangelicals and editor of *United Evangelical Action*. Since last October, he has served as interim executive director of the NAE. He is also the vice president of Evangelical Press Association.

HOW PRESBYTERIANS (AND OTHERS)

CAN "PAGANIZE" THE WORLD

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C. (EP)—The executive secretary of the Winston-Salem Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (Southern), in a statistical survey of a nine-country area, said it required more than 36 Presbyterians in 1963 to win "one soul to Christ."

At that rate, he charged "Presbyterians could paganize the world in a few generations."

The Rev. James Monroe said "we showed a net gain in membership of only 100 for the presbytery—about two members per congregation. Let's hope that the Baptists, Methodists, Moravians, and others are doing evangelism, because we aren't."

"In stewardship of money," the presbytery leader added, "it should be noted that we averaged about \$114 per member in total gifts last year. That's about \$2 per week, or what many folks spend for tobacco."

THE UNPOPULAR MISSIONARY

Why some American missionaries are hated by their parishioners . . . what they've done wrong and how their errors can be corrected. This is the theme of an American Methodist missionary in his book, *The Unpopular Missionary*, published in February by Revell.

Ralph Edward Dodge, the author of this disturbing book, is a Bishop of The Methodist Church, the first to be elected in Africa. He was assigned to administer the three annual conferences of Angola, Rhodesia, and South East Africa and, after 25 years of service, as a missionary and administrator, writes as one troubled and concerned, yet certain that the church, challenged to real commitment, will rise to meet the demands upon it.